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The Shepherd of Thrice-Great Hermes

Ποιμανδρης [τρισμεγιστου Ερμου]

Book 1

At the time when my Mind had become Reflective on The Real Beings, and on the one hand, 1 γενομένης Εννοιάς πέρι των οντών , και Its Understanding had become Elevated to a Great Height, while on the other hand, my bodily senses της διανοιας μετεωρισθεισης σφοδρα , <δε> μου των σωματικών αισθεσεών were withdrawn as in sleep, however, not as when those are weighed down in sleep by too much food κατασχεθεισων <<υπνω>> <μεντοι ου> καθαπερ <τοις βεβαρημενοις> [[υπνω]] εκ κορου τροφης or by bodily fatigue, at that time, I thought that Someone Superlatively-Great and of Unlimitedη εκ σωματος κοπου, εδοξα υπερμεγεθη απερι-Dimensions in Measure, happened to call my name, and said these words to me: μετρω <εν>-τυγγανανοντα καλειν μου το ονομα, και λεγειν [τα] μοι: "What do you wish to Hear and to See, and having Reflected, to Learn and to Intuitively-Know?" Τι βουλει ακουσαι και θεασασθαι, και νοησας μαθειν και γνωναι: "Who Art Thou?" said I. He responded τις ει Συ; φημι εγω: φησιν, "I Am Poimandres The Shepherd, The Intellect of The Inner-Self (Rep 436C). Εγω ειμι ο Ποιμανδρης μεν , ο νους της αυθεντας(αυτο-εντ-ης/ος) I Know what you wish and I Am Together with Thee Everywhere." [[οιδα βουλει και συνειμι σοι πανταχου.]] 3 I said, "I wish to Understand The Real Beings and to Intellect The Nature of These, ενω φημι : θελω Μαθειν τα οντα και νοησαι την φυσιν τουτων. and to Intuitively-Know The God . I said , How I wish to hear of These!" τον θεον . εφην , βουλομαι ακουσαι <περι του>των και γνωναι He spoke to me again, φησιν εμοι παλιν: "I Know what You wish, and I am together with Thee Everywhere: ο βουλει, και συνειμι σοι πανταχου:>> Hold in thine Intellect All that you wish to Understand, and I will teach Thee." зχз νω οσα θελεις μαθειν , καγω διδαξω σε. $\sigma\omega$ Having Spoken in this way, *Immediately*, *Everything* changed for me, and *Immediately*, The ειπον<τος> ουτως , <<ευθεως παντα ηλλαγη μοι>> και [[ευθεως Decisive Influence of Every Idea Opened-up for me . And thus I beheld a Boundless Spectacle . All παντα ιδεα ηνοικτο μοι]]. και [δε] ορω αοριστον θεαν , παντα had become A Gentle and Cheerful Light; and I was filled with Longing upon Seeing. And after a γεγενημενα ηπιον τε και ιλαρον φως : και ηγασθην ιδων . και μετ' while, there had come to be in One Certain Part, a downward-tending, fearful and gloomy Darkness, ολιγον, γεγενημενον ην εν (τινι) μερει κατωφέρες , φοβέρον τε και στυγνον σκότος , which was experienced by me as a curving/enfolding Likeness. Then I saw The Nature of The πεπειραμενον [με ως σκολιως εικασαι] .<...> ειδον το φυσιν Darkness change into a Fluid, which was *indescribably* being shaken about, and gave out Smoke σκοτος μεταβαλλομενον εις τινα υγραν αφατως τεταραγμενην, και αποδιδουσαν καπνον

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as if from Fire. And She Terminated in an unspeakable, mournful Sound; for then there was sent forth
ως απο πυρος . και αποτελουσαν τινα ανεκλαλητον γοωδη ηχον : <γαρ> [ειτα] εξεπεμπετο
from Herself, an inarticulate Shout; as if The Sound was The Likeness of Light."
              ασυναρθρος βοη [[ως
                                        φωνην
5a
     Then, from out of The Light Proceeded The Holy Logos which entered into The Fluid Nature,
                   <του> φωτος π<ροελθων> αγιος λογος
                                                                          τη <υγρα> φυσει.
                                                               επεβη
since to me The Sound appeared to be The Likeness of The Light. And The Pure Fire . . . begat
<<\omega\zeta<\mu\epsilon> \phi\omega\nu\eta\nu
                                     εικασαι του φωτος.>> [[ και ακρατον πυρ ...
                        <ειναι>
The Moist-and-Airy Logos.
    πνευματικον λογον.]]
6
      Then Poimandres spoke for me to hear:
      δε ο Ποιμανδρης φησι εμοι <<εις ακοην>>
                "Have you Intellected This Spectacle and what It means?"
                                     ταυτης την θεαν και ο τι βουλεται;
                         Ενοησας
"... and I shall come to Know It," I said. He said,
<...> και
               γνωσομαι
                            , εγω εφην. εφη
               "That Light, is I, Intellect, The First God, Who Is Prior
           εφη, εκεινο Το φως, εγω, νους , ο πρωτος θεος, ο προ
             to The Fluid Nature which came to Light out of The Darkness;
                                    φανεισης
                                                    εκ της σκοτους:
               υγρας φυσεως
           whereas The Bright/Shining Logos from Intellect is The Son of God."
                        φωτ[ειν]ος λογος εκ [νοος]
                                                             υιος θεου.
"What then?" I asked. He answered,
  Τι ουν; φημι.
    "Realize in this way; That which is Looking and Hearing Within Thee is The Son/Logos
      γνωθι Ουτω ,
                                   βλεπων [και ακουων] εν σοι ο <υιος> λογος
                         of The Lord, since That is also Within Thee, whereas
                           [κυριου] <επει
                                                       \epsilon v \sigma oi >,
                                               και
  Intellect is God The Father . For They are not separate from Each Other; for Their Union is Life."
  ο νους [θεος]
                   πατηρ. γαρ ου διιστανται απ' αλληλων: γαρ ενωσις τουτων εστιν η ζωη.
"Thank Thee ." said I.
                           Then Poimandres said,
Ευξαριστω σοι , εφην εγω .
7
                 "But surely then, Intellect The Light, and Recognize This."
                                  νοει
                                          το φως , και γνωριζε τουτο .
                 Αλλα
                          δn
Having spoken thus, He gazed at me face to face for a long time, so that The Idea of Self
 ειπων τοσαυτα,
                       αντωπησε μοι επι πλειονα χρονον, ωστε την ιδεαν αυτου
made me tremble. Then mounting-up anew, I saw in my own Intellect, The Light Being within
  με τρεμείν . δε ανανευσα[ντο]ς, θεωρώ εν μου
                                                        τω νοι
                                                                   το φως
Innumerable Powers, and by having become a Kosmos of Unlimited-Dimensions. And I saw
αναριθμητοις δυναμεσιν, και γεγενημενον κοσμον
                                                        απεριοριστον
The Fire being under command to keep Its place; and to be Encompassed by a Mighty Power.
το πυρ
             κρατουμένον εσχηκέναι στασιν και
                                                    περισχεσθαι
                                                                   μεγιστη δυναμει .]]
8a
     Thus I was Seeing by Intellecting This By Means of The Logos of Poimandres The Shepherd.
                       διενοηθην ταυτα
      δε εγω ορων
                                             δια
                                                     τον λογον του Ποιμανδρου
Then by myself being entangled in amazement, He spoke to me again:
 δε ως μου οντος εμπλεξει εν
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φησι εμοι παλιν:

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Ειδες εν τω νω το αρχετυπον ειδος, το προαρχον
              of The Source/Cause/Beginning, of That which is Infinite/Boundless."
                                                              απεραντον.
Thus Poimandres spoke this to me.
 ο Ποιμανδρης
                  ταυτα εμοι.
8b
     Then I asked, "What then? From what source do the elements of nature have their subsistence?"
                                   ποθεν <τα> στοιχεια της φυσεως
      εγω φημι ,
                   Τι ουν;
                                                                          υπεστη;
He answered.
 "From The Will of God, That which by Grasping The Logos and by Seeing The Beautiful Kosmos
       βουλης θεου,
                          ητις [[λαβουσα τον λογον]] [και] ιδουσα τον καλον κοσμον
       made a Copy of It; for The Fluid Nature Fashioned It by Grasping The Logos,
          εμιμησατο . <γαρ η υγρα φυσις> <ε>κοσμοτποιθη <<λαβουσα τον λογον>>,
For The Fluid Nature having Grasped The Logos, was fashioned into an Ordered Kosmos, whereas
<γαρ η υγρα φυσις> <<λαβουσα τον λογον>>
                                                      <ε>κοσμοποιηθη
The Elements were separated out from Self; and from which Elements there came forth those beings
<των> στοιγειων δια<κριθεν>των ε<ξ> αυτης, και <εξ ων>
                                                              <το> γεννημα
5b that are ensouled. And since Pure Fire Leapt-forth from The Fluid Nature and Rose-up On-High;
    <εμ>ψυχων . <<και <γαρ> ακρατον πυρ εξεπηδησεν εκ της υγρας φεσεως ανω εις υψος :
since The Fire was Light and Piercing, and Active/Efficient. Whereas at the same time by The Air also
              ην κουφον και οξυ , τε
                                        δραστικον .
                                                        <δε>
                                                                                ο αηρ, και
being Light, It followed The Fire, Rising-up as far as The Fire; Rising-up as far as The Safety of Self,
ων ελαφρος, ηκολουθησε τω πυρι, αναβαινών μέχρι του πύρος βαινοντός [τόσουτον] σώα αυτού
from Earth and Water, so as Self to appear to be Suspended from Self. And The Fire was Encompassed
 απο γης και υδατος, ως αυτον δοκειν κρεμασθαι απ' αυτου . << και το πυρ περι<ε>σχεθη
by a Mighty Power, Commanding It also, To Keep Its Place. Whereas Earth and Water Remained
μεγιστη δυναμει, κρατουμενον και εσχ[ηκ]ε[ναι] στασιν . >>
                                                              δε
                                                                    γη και υδωρ
by Themselves, blended together, as The Earth could not be considered apart from The Water; but
καθ' εαυτα
               συμμεμιγμενα, ως
                                                 μη [θεωρεισθαι] [απο] [[του υδατος]] : δε
They were kept in-motion by The Airy-Breath of The Logos; that was borne-along Above The Water.
           κινουμενα δια τον πνευματικον λογον: επιφερομενον <επανω> <<του υδατος.>>
9
      Then The First Intellect, by being Male/Female, by Initiating Life and Light, gave birth
           ο πρωτος ο νους , [[ων αρρενοθηλυς]] υπαρχων ζωη και φως , απεκυησε<ν>
to The Logos; to Another Demiurgic Intellect, who is Zeus, The Second God of Fire and Air,
    [ωνολ]
               ετερον δημιουργον νουν,
                                            ος δευτερος θεος [του] [[πυρος και πνευματος]]
from which Fire and Air He Fabricated Seven Certain Governors/Administrators, who encompass in
εκ ων <<πυρος και πυευματος>> εδημιουργησε<ν> επτα τινας διοικητ<ορ>ας περιεγοντας εν
Their Circles/Orbits The Perceptible Kosmos; and The Governance of Themselves is called One's Due.
                   τον αισθητον κοσμον : και
    κυκλοις
                                                η διοικησις
                                                                αυτων καλειται ειμαρμενη.
10 Immediately The Logos of God Leapt forth From The Nature of The downward tending Elements
               ο λογος του θεου επηδησεν εκ <<της φυσεως>> των κατωφέρων στοιχειων
To The Pure Fabrication of The Nature, and It was United to The Demiurgic Intellect; for It was
εις το καθαρον δημιουργημα [[της φυσεως]], και ηνωθη τω δημιουγω
of The Same Ousia; and the irrational downward tending elements of The Nature were left behind,
                 : και [τα] αλογα
                                      τα κατωφερη στοιχεια της φεσεως
                                                                              κατελειφθη,
    ομοουσιος
so as to be matter, alone.
ως ειναι υλην μονην.
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"You saw in Intellect The Archetypal Idea, The Prime Cause

- 11a Thus The Demiurgic Intellect together with The Logos, who Encompasses The Circles/Orbits τω λογω, [ο] ο δημιουργός νους συν περιισγων τους κυκλους and spins Them in a rushing/whistling motion, Caused The Revolution of The Creations He had made και δινων εστρεψε ροιζω τα δημιουργηματα by Himself, and He Allowed It to Revolve from an Indefinite Beginning, to a Limitless End; στρεφεσθαι απ αοριστον εαυτου, και ειασε αρχης εις απεραντον τελος: for The Revolution of These **Begins** from where It **Ends**. γαρ η περιφορα τουτων αρχεται ου ληγει.
- 11b Therefore -just as Intellect Willed- The Nature brought forth irrational animals from the <δε> καθως ο νους ηθελησεν , <η φυσις ,> ηνεγκεν αλογα ζωα downward tending elements; for they did not still contain The Logos. Then The Air brought forth στοιγειων : γαρ ετι ειχε τον λογον. δε ου anρ ηνεγκε winged creatures, and The Water brought forth swimming creatures. Thus The Earth and The Water , και το υδωρ νηκτα , – δε η τε γη και το υδωρ were separated from each other -just as Intellect Willed- and The Earth brought forth from Herself διεκευωριστο $\alpha \pi'$ αλληλων [καθως ο νους ηθελησεν] – και <η γη> εξηνεύκεν [α π' αυτης that which She Contains: four-footed animals and reptiles, beasts; wild and tame. τετραποδα ζωα <και> ερπετα, θηρια αγρια και ημερα. ειχε]
- Thus Intellect who is The Father of All, by Being Life and Light, gave birth to Human-Kind δε ο νους [[ο]] πατηρ παντων, ων ζωη και φως, απεκυησεν ανθρωπον to be Like Self. Whom He Loved as His Own Child, for He was Very Beautiful, by Bearing The < ομ>οιον αυτω. ου ηγασθη ως ιδιου τοκου: γαρ < ην> περικαλλης, εχων την Likeness of The Father. For It was Reasonable that God Loved His Own Form, and thus εικονα του πατρος. [γ]αρ εικοτως ο θεος ηγασθη της ιδιας μορφης: και He Handed-over/Gave/Transmitted to Himself, All His Creations.

 παρεδωκε<ν> [ε]αυτω παντα <<τα>> δημιουργηματα.
- Then by being begotten within The Demiurgic Sphere, He had carefully observed The Creations 13a <δε> << ο γενομενος εν τη δημιουργικη σφαιρα,>> << κατενοησε τα δημιουργηματα of His Brother, who was Established-over The Region of Fire; and having observed The Creation του αδελφου>> << του επικειμενου επι πυρος :>> [και] κατανοησας την κτισιν του of The Demiurge in The Region of Fire, Self also wished to Create, and so, He was given permission του δημιουργου εν τω πυρι , αυτος και ηβουληθη δημιουργείν : και συνέχωρηθη by The Father, by being begotten within The Demiurgic Sphere, from which He obtained Complete υπο του πατρος . [[γενομενος εν τη δημιουργικη σφαιρα]] [εξ την πασαν Authority by having Carefully Observed The Creations of His Brother . Thus, He Possessed within τα δημιουργηματα του αδελφου]] <...> δε « εχοντα εξουσιαν] [[κατενοησε Himself All The Energy of The Administrators, and thus The Administrators fell in Love with Self, εαυτω πασαν ενεργειαν των διοικητορων :>> δε ηγασθησαν αυτου, Οl and thus Each One of The (7) Administrators Gave Him an Arrangement/Order of Their Own Nature . δε εκαστος μετεδιδου [ταξεως] της ιδιας <φυσεως>.
- And having Learned to Recognize **The Ousia** of These (7) Administrators, and having Received και καταμαθων την ουσιαν τουτων , και μεταλαβων of The Nature of Themselves, He wished/desired to break-through The Circumference of The της φυσεως [ε]αυτων, ηβουληθη αναρρηξαι την περιφερειαν των

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Circles/Orbits, and to thoroughly-Intellect The Power of Him who was Established over The Fire.
  κυκλων
             [και
                       κατανοησαι το κρατος]
                                                 του
                                                            επικειμένου επι του πυρος]]:
14
       And by Possessing Complete Authority over The Kosmos of mortals and irrational animals,
                         πασαν εξουσιαν του κοσμου των θνητων και των αλογων ζωων
              [εγων
He Peeped-out, through The Harmony, having broken-through The Vault/Arch. He also Showed
ο ] παρεκυφεν
                δια της αρμονιας,
                                         αναρρηξας
                                                          το
                                                                κυτος ,
                                                                          και εδειξε
The Beautiful Form of The God to the downward-tending Nature. Then by Nature Beholding
                                                      φυσει . <\delta\epsilon>
την καλην μορφην του θεου
                               τη
                                       κατωφερει
                                                                    η
The Beauty of The Form of The God, She smiled, by being struck with an Insatiable Love of
<το> καλλος της μορφης του θεου , εμειδιασεν
                                                     <ακορεστω>>
                                                                        ερωτι
Human-kind , Who Possessed In Himself All The Energy of The Administrators , He Who had Imparted ,
               [[εγοντα εν εαυτώ πασαν ενεργείαν των διοικητορών]] ατε <ανάδ>ιδουσα
The Most Beautiful Form of That Ideal in The Water, and Its Shadow upon The Earth.
 της καλλιστης μορφης το ειδος εν τω υδατι, και το σκιασμα επι της γης.
Therefore, by Self Seeing In-Himself Her Like Form existing in The Earth and The Water,
          αυτω ιδων [εν εαυτω] την ομοιαν μορφην ουσαν εν <τη γη και> τω υδατι
He fell In-Love, and Where Self wished to dwell. Then at-once, the wish became energy, and
ο, εφιλησε, και αυτου ηβουληθη οικειν. δε
                                                  αμα τη βουλη εγενετο ενεργεια, και
He took up dwelling in Her irrational matter. Then The Nature, having taken The Beloved,
                   την αλογον υλην. δε η φυσις λαβουσα τον ερωμενον
enfolded Him completely, and They were blended together, for They were In-Love.
 περικλακη
               ολη , και
                                    εμιγησαν
                                                   : γαρ ησαν ερωμενοι.
15
         And through this, of all the living beings on Earth, Human-kind is Double; on the one hand,
         και δια τουτο παρα παντα τα ζωα επι γης ο ανθρωπος εστιν διπλους, μεν
mortal through the body, but on the other hand, Immortal by The Human Being in The Way of Ousia.
θνητος δια το σωμα,
                                          αθανατος δια τον ανθρωπον
                             δε
                                                                             ουσιωδη.
For by being Immortal, and by having Authority over All, He undergoes mortal experiences, which are
γαρ ων αθανατος, και έχων την εξουσιαν παντών
                                                       πασχει
                                                                    τα θνητα
                     For by Being Above The Harmony of The Kosmos, He has become a slave
subject to fate.
-μενος τη ειμαρμενη . <γαρ> ων υπερανω της αρμομιας
                                                                         γεγονε
subject to fate. Thus by Being Male/Female having been born from A Father of Both Sexes;
<ειμαρμενης>: δε
                      ων αρρενοθηλυς
                                              ον<τος
                                                         εξ του> πατρος αρενοθηλεος.
and He is sleepless from The Sleepless, yet He is mastered by Love and Oblivion.
         αυπνος απο
                                        κρατειται <υπ' ερωτος και ληθης>.
και
                        αυπνου .
16
          And after this I said "And point-out to me that which remains, O Intellect.
          και μετα ταυτα < εγω εφην : Και φρασον [ε]μοι τα λοιπα , ω> νου[ς]
                 For Self also Loves Your Logos ." The Shepherd replied :
                 γαρ αυτος και ερω του λογου. Ποιμανδρης ειπε:
               "This is The Mystery which has been kept Secret until this Day.
         Τουτο εστι το μυστηριον [[κεκρυμμενον]] μεχρι τησδε της ημερας.
For Nature by being blended together with Human-kind has brought forth A Wonder Most Wondrous .
                  επιμιγεισα
                                     τω ανθρωπω
                                                                  τι θαυμα θαυμασιωτατον.
 γαρ η φυσις
                                                      ηνεγκε
    Self, which I told Thee, came to Be of Fire/Father/Intellect and of Breath/Spirit/Logos,
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της αρμονιας <απο> των επτα,

Possessing The Nature of The Harmony from The Seven [Administrators],

και πνευματος

αυτου, ου<ς> εφην σοι <γεγονεναι> εκ πυρος

εγοντος την φυσιν

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But Nature did not wait , but immediately brought forth seven human-beings \eta fusic ouk anementary , all endus appearance epiceness of the Natures of The Seven Administrators – Male/Female and Raised-High ." \pi\rho\sigma\varsigma \qquad \text{tac} \ \text{fusic} \ \text{twn} \ \text{epta} \ \text{diskntorgwn}, \ \text{arresondy}, \ \text{arresondy} \ \text{diskntorgwn}, \ \text{diskntorgw
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- 17 "Therefore, As I was saying, the generation of These Seven came to Be in the following way. ως εφην , η γενεσις των τουτων επτα Εγενετο τοιωδε τροπω. The Nature brought forth Their bodies; for The Earth was Female, and The Water was Licentious. << η φυσις εξηνεγκεν τα σωματα>> γαρ < η γη> ην θηλυκη, και <το> υδωρ οχευτικον: Then from The Fire They Received Their Ripeness, then from The Ether, Their Breath. And εκ το πυρος ελαβον πεπειρον:], δε εκ αιθερος το πνευμα. [και] The Nature brought forth Their bodies, according to The Idea of Human-Kind. Then from Life and προς το είδος του ανθρωτου: δε εκ ζωής και [[η φυσις εξηνεγκεν τα σωματα]] Light Human-kind came to Be in Soul and Mind; such as on the one hand, from Life Soul, whereas φωτος ο ανθρωπος εγενετο εις ψυχην και νουν, μεν εκ ζωης ψυχην, on the other hand, from Light Mind. And Everything of The Perceptible Kosmos remained thus, εκ φωτος νουν . και τα παντα [του αισθητου κοσμου] εμεινεν ουτω until The End of The Period/Cycle: The Beginning/Origin/Source of The Genera. περιοδου [μεχρι τελους αρχων
- Hear The Remaining Logos, Being That which Thou Longs to hear. Upon Completion of Her 18 ακουε λοιπον λογον ποθεις ακουσαι. πεπληρωμενης της ον Period/Cycle, The Bond of All was let loose, According to The Will of God, for All the living beings, περιοδου, ο συνδεσμος παντων ελυθη βουλης θεου : γαρ παντα τα ζωα, εк which were Male/Female, were parted asunder at the same time as Human-kind, and in turn came to Be οντα αρρενοθηλεα, διελυτο τω ανθρεπω, και τα μεν εγενετο αμα either Male or in like fashion Female. Then The God Immediately Spoke to The Holy Logos: εν μερει αρρενικα τα δε ομοιως θηλυκα. δε ο θεος ευθυς ειπεν αγιω λογω: "All that has been Founded and Fashioned, Thou may increase and continue to increase, and παντα τα κτισματα και δημιουργηματα Αυξανεσθε εν αυξησει και multiply and continue to multiply. And may the Human-being endowed with Mind Recognize that πληθυνεσθε εν πληθει ο <ανθρωπος> εννους και αναγνωρισατω Their Self is Deathless, and that Love is The Cause of Death, and may Recognize All The Beings. εαυτον οντα αθανατον, και ερωτα τον αιτιον του θανατου [και παντα τα] οντα. Thus, The Human-being who Recognize/Knows Himself Journeys/Withdraws into The Good." <δε αναγνωρισας εαυτον εις το αγαθον.>" 0 γωρει
- 19 Having spoken this, Providence Produced Their Mingling through Destiny and The Harmony ειποντος τουτο, η προνοια εποινσατο τας μιξεις δια της ειμαρμενης και αρμονιας and established Their generations. And thus Everything was multiplied according to Genus. και καρεστησε τας γενεσεις: και τα παντα επληθυνθη κατα γενος.

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αναγνωρισας εαυτον εληλυθεν εις το <υ>περ[ι]ουσιον αγαθον: δε ο
  και
was content with the body, begotten from wandering love, this one remained wandering in the dark,
αγαπησας <<το>> σωμα
                               εк
                                      πλανης ερωτος, ουτος μενει πλανωμένος εν τω σκοπεί,
suffering through the senses the things of Death."
            [αισθητως]
                           τα του θανατου .
πασχων
20 I said, "To what degree do the ignorant miss the mark, in order to be deprived of Immortality?"
εγω εφην, Τι τοσουτον οι αγνοουντες, αμαρτανουσιν, ινα στερηθωσι της αθνανασιας;
      He said, "O this. It is Likely that you have not Reflected/Paid-Attention on/to That which
             ω ουτος, Εοικας
                                  [του]
                                            μŋ
                                                      πεφροντικεναι
                                                                                    ων
                         You have Heard. Did I not tell Thee to Intellect?"
                                           ουκ εφην σοι
                           ηκουσας
I replied, "I will Intellect and I will Remember, and thus I am Grateful at the same time."
                        και μιμμησκομαι
                                                  δε
                                                        ευχαριστω
He said, "If you have Intellected, tell me, why are the dead who are in ignorance, worthy of Death."
         Ει ενόησας, είπε μοι, δια τι οντες [τω θανατω] οι είσι εν <αγνοία> αξιοί του θανατού;
I replied, "Because the abhorrent darkness is the prime source of the inhabited body; and from which
            Οτι το στυγνον σκοτος προκαταρχεται του [οικειου] σωματος,
darkness, arose The Fluid Nature, and from which darkness, the body is composed: . . .
                  η υγρα φυσις .
                                         εξ ου
                                                          το σωμα συνεστηκέν < . . . >
in The Perceptible Kosmos, and from which Death is irrigated."
εν τω αισθητω κοσμω ,
                                εξ ου θανατος αρ[δε]υεται.
21 He said, "O This, You have Intellected Correctly. But According to What, "Does the one who
                          Ενοησας
                                           0000 . \delta\epsilon
                                                             κατα
            ω ουτος,
Intellects, Recognizes Himself, then Journeys/Withdraws to The Good", as The Logos of God Says?"
[νοησας] <αναγνωρισας> εαυτον γωρει εις <το> αγαθον ," ω<σ>περ ο λογος του θεου εχει ;
I replied, "Because The Father of Wholes has been composed out of Light and Life, from which
                    ο πατηρ των ολων
                                          συνεστηκεν
                                                            εκ φωτος και ζωης, εξ ου
            Οτι
Sources (The One and Ousia -Parmenides 142E-), Human-kind has come to Be."
                                                 ο ανθρωπος
                                                                γεγονεν
This The Shepherd said, "Well said! Since Light and Life is God and Father, from whence Human-
ταυτα ο Ποιμανδρης ειπεν , Ευ φης <οτι> φως και ζωη εστιν ο θεος και πατηρ , εξ ου ο ανθρω-
kind has come to Be. If You Realize Yourself as Being from Life and Light, and that You happen
-πος εγενετο]
                   . εαν [[μαθης εαυτον]]
                                               ων
                                                      εκ ζωης και φωτος, [και] οτι τυγχαν-
to be created out of These, Then You will Return/Journey/Withdraw Again to Life and Light."
−ει⊂
         εκ
                τουτων , ουν
                                           χωρησεις
                                                                \pi \alpha \lambda i \nu  eig \zeta \omega \eta \nu < \kappa \alpha i \phi \omega \varsigma > .
           "But tell me further, how I shall Journey to Life, O My Intellect? For God declares,
εγω <εφην>, Αλλ ειπε μοι ετι , [[πως χωρησω εις ζωην]] [[ω εμος νους]] γαρ ο θεος φησι
              "Let the human-being Endowed with Mind Recognize/Know Himself".
                    ο ανθρωπος
                                          εννους
                                                       αναγνωρισατω εαυτον".
Do not All human-beings possess Mind?
ου παντες ανθρωποι εχουσιν νουν;
22
    Intellect said to me, "O Here, You Speak Good/Pious Words (2nd Alc 149B). I Intellect,
 <<0 nous efh[n] emoi>> \omega outos.
                                         Ευφημ<ε>ι
                                                         [\lambda\alpha\lambda\omega\nu].
Am Present to The Pious and to The Good and Pure, and to the Merciful to Those who Live Piously,
παραγινομαι τοις οσιοις και αγαθοις και καθαροις και ελεημοσι
                                                                      τοις ευσεβουσι,
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And thus the one who had *Recognized Himself arrived* at **The Super-Ousian Good**, while the one who

and My Presence becomes a Help to Themselves, and They Immediately Know All Beings, and και μου η παρουσια γινεται βοηθεια <αυτοις>, και ευθυς γνωριζουσι παντα τα , και They are Reconciled to The Father In a Lovingly-Content Way, and They Gratefully Offer Gratitude, ιλασκονται ευγαριστουσιν τον πατερα αγαπητικως by Praising and Singing Hymns to Self In Due Order with Affection . And Prior to handing-over ευλογουντες και υμνουντες , προς αυτον τετρα[γ]μενοι τη στοργη . και προ του παραδουναι the body to its own Death, They disdain their senses, having Seen their effects. But even το σωμα <τω> ιδιω θανατω μυσττονται τας αισθησεις, ειδοτες αυτων τα ενεργηματα. δε more to the point, Self Intellect, will not Allow the effects of the body which assail Them μαλλον , αυτον ο νους ουκ εασω τα ενεργηματα του σωματος προσπιπταντα to achieve their end; for by Being The Gatekeeper, I shall close the in-roads of defective/corrosive εκτελεσθηναι ; γαρ ων αποκλεισω τας εισιδους πυλωρος things and of their foul/dishonoring/shameful effects, thus cutting off their inner-desires. των και αισγρων ενεργηνατων, εκκοπτων τας ενθυμησεις.

- 23 But I Am very far away from those that are mindless: the vicious, the worthless, the envious, ανοητοις και κακοις και πονηροις και φθονεροις δε ειμι ποροφθεν τοις the greedy, the murderers and the profane, having given way to The Avenging Spirit, who tortures/tests και τλεονεκταις και φονεισι και ασεβεσι , εκχωρησας τω τιμωρω δαιμονι , οστις <<βασανιζει such a person by shooting sharp arrows of fire, by assaulting self through the senses. <τον> <<τοι>ουτον προσβαλλων την οξυτητα του πυρος , θρασσων αυτον αισθητικως , και arms self to even greater acts of lawlessness, in order that an even greater retribution befalls self. And οπλιζει αυτον επι μαλλον τας ανομιας, μειζονος τιμωριας ινα they do not cease from fighting in the dark, by having an insatiable appetite for their boundless yearning. <<σκοτομαχων>>, εχων ακορεστον την επιθυμιαν επ απλετους ορεξεις <...> And so The Avenging Spirit puts self to the test/torture by increasing the fire upon self to the utmost." και [[τουτον βασανιζει]] αυξανει <το> πυρ εφ' αυτον επι πλειον.
- **24** "You have taught me *Everything* Well , as I wished , O Intellect . But still tell me about εδιδαξας με παντα Ευ , ως εβουλομην , ω νου[ς] . δε ετι ειπε μοι <περι> The Way The Ascent comes to Be; how I will be Withdrawn into Life ." της ανοδου γινομενης , <<πως χωρησω εις ζωην.>>

To this The Shepherd replied; "On the one hand, in the dissolution of the material body, You first προς ταυτα ο Ποιμανδρης ειπε: εν τη αναλυσει του υλικου του σωματος Πρωτον นะง Give-up the corporeal self to alteration, and the visible form which You had, becomes Invisible. And παραδιδωσ[ιν] το σωμα αυτο εις αλλοιωσιν, και το ειδος ο γινεται αφανες . και ειχες by Giving-up to The Spirit Your habitual character, it becomes Inactive. And the senses of the body παραδιδως τω δαιμονι [ηθος] ανενεργητον: και αι αισθησεις του σωματος το return to their own sources, by becoming parts of The Kosmos, and come together again in turn επανερχονται εις τας εαυτων πηγας , γινομεναι μερη <του κοσμου> , και συνισταμεναι παλιν in other energies/activities. And the seat of emotion and the desire withdraw into the irrational nature. εις [τας] <ετερας> ενεργειας . [και ο θυμος και η επιθυμια χωρει εις την αλογον φυσιν.]

And so In This Way The Human-being sets-in-motion The Way Above through The Harmony . $\text{kai } \lambda \text{oipon outws} < \text{o and } \text{ord} > \text{orm} = \text{and } \text{oid} = \text{the activity/energy}$ of increasing and of decreasing , kai the first zone , The Human-being Gives-up the activity/energy of increasing and of decreasing , kai th pouth supple condition didws = the condition the supple condition the condition

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την μηγανην των κακων δολων,
και τη δευτερα
and to the third zone, the activation of the appetite for fraud, and to the fourth, the activation of the
                                                την επιθυμητικην απατην, και τη τεταρτη
arrogance of authority, and to the fifth, the activation of impious daring and of reckless audacity,
υπερηφανίαν αρχοντικήν, και τη πεμπτή το ανόσιον το θρασός και της τομής την προπέτειαν,
and to the sixth, the activation of the avaricious impulses for wealth, and to the seventh zone,
                                          τας κακας τας εφορμας του πλουτου, και τη εβδομη [ζωνη]
και τη εκτη
the Human-being Gives-up the activation of the falsehood which waits in ambush.
                                                                το ψευδος
                                                                                              ενεδρευον .
26a
            And at that time, by being stripped-naked of the activities of The Harmony, Human-beings
                                              γυμνωθεις απο των ενεργηματων της αρμονίας,
come to be in The Presence of The Eighth Nature, by Possessing Their Own Power, and They Sing
                              επι την ογδοαδικην φυσιν,
                                                                                εχων
                                                                                              την ιδιαν δυναμιν, και υμνει
Praises to The Father along-with Those who are There; since Those who are Present Rejoice
            τον πατερα
                                     συν
                                                τοις
                                                             ουσι <εκει> : δε
                                                                                                 οι παροντες συγχαιρουσι
at The Presence of This. And by being made Like Those They are Joined-With, They also Hear
 τη παρουσια τουτου . και
                                                  ομοιωθεις
                                                                                          συνουσιν
                                                                             τοις
The Powers, which are Above The Eighth Nature, Singing Praises to God In Their Own Tone.
των δυναμένων , ούσων υπέρ την ογδοαδικήν φυσίν , υμνούσων τον θέον τινί ίδια φωνή .
And at that time, In Due Order, They Ascend to The Father; and They Surrender Themselves
                                             ανερχονται προς τον πατερα: [[και]] παραδιδοασι εαυτους
    και τοτε
                               ταξει
to The Self Powers, and by coming to Be The Self Powers, They come to Be In God.
εις <τας> [[αυτοι]] δυναμεις , και γινομενοι <<αυτοι>> δυναμεις , γινονται εν θεω .
This Is The Good, This Is The Goal for Those who have come to Possess Intuitive-Knowledge.
τουτο εστι το αγαθον, <τουτο το> τελος τοις
                                                                                εσχηκοσι
26b
                Well then, why do you delay? Should you not, by having received All, become A Guide
                                                                                   ως παραλαβων παντα γινη καθοδηγος
                 λοιπον, τι
                                          μελλεις ;
                                                                      ουγ
to Those who are Worthy, in order that The Race of Humanity may be Saved by God through Thee?"
                                         οπως
                                                      το γενος της ανθρωποτητος σωθη υπο θεου δια σου;
Having said that to me, The Shepherd Became Blended With The Powers.
  ειπων ταυτα εμοι ο Ποιμανδρης
                                                                εμιγη
                                                                                    ταις δυναμεσι.
[27-29  transposed to the end ]
                    Then I Inscribed in Myself The Kindness of The Shepherd, and by having been Filled
                   δε εγω ανεγραψαμην εις εαυτον την ευεργεσιαν του Ποιμανδρου , και πληρωθεις
with That which I wished, I was exceedingly glad.
                                                                              For the sleep of the body had come to Be
                          ηθελον
                                             εξηυφρανθην
                                                                              γαρ ο υπνος του σωματος εγενετο
The Sobriety of my Soul, and the closing of my eyes had come to Be True Vision, and my silence,
                      ψυχης , και η καρμυσιστων οφθαλμων
                                                                                              Αληθινη ορασις, και μου η σιωπη
had come to Be Pregnant of The Good, and my barrenness of Logos had come to Be The Begetting of
                      εγκυμων του αγαθου, και η αφορ<ι>α του λογου
                                                                                                                            γεννημα[τα]
               But This happened to me; having Received It from my Mind; but This Is of The Shepherd;
[αγαθων]. δε τουτο συνεβη μοι
                                                          λαβοντι απο [του μου νοος] [[τουτεστι]] του Ποιμανδρου,
of The Inner-Self, The Logos of Intellect... Whereby by coming to Be A Divine-Intellect, I reached
  the aubentae stone logon tou snoces. . . < observed ginomenos
                                                                                                                  θεοπνους
                                                                                                                                          ηλθον
The Abode of The Truth.
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And to the second zone. The Human-being Gives-up the activation of the means of vice by fraud,

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For which Reason I Offer Praise to God The Father from My Whole Soul and Strength .
                     διδωμι ευλογιαν θεω τω πατρι εκ
           διο
                                                          ολης ψυχης και ισχους.
31
                Holy Is God, The Father of Wholes, Who Is Prior to The Source.
               Αγιος θεος και ο πατηρ των ολων, (ο ων προ)
                Holy Is God, Whose Will Is Accomplished by His Own Powers.
               αγιος ο θεος, ου η βουλη
                                          τελειται απο των ιδιων δυναμεων:
         Holy Is God, Who Wills to be Known, and Is Known by Those that Are His Own.
       αγιος ο θεος, ος βουλεται γνωσθηναι, και γινωσκεται
                                                                τοις
            Holy Art Thou, Who has Given Subsistence to The Beings by The Logos.
              αγιος ει,
                                  συστησαμενος
                                                         τα οντα
                                                                        λογω :
                       Holy Art Thou, Whom Nature has not darkened.
                                  , ον η φυσις ουκ ημαυρωσιν:
                   Holy Art Thou, of Whom All Nature brings forth images.
                     αγιος ει
                                   ου
                                          πασα φυσις
                                                         εφυ
                                                                εικωνων .
                       Holy Art Thou, Who Is Stronger than All Power.
                                  , ο ισχυροτερος πασης δυναστειας.
                   Holy Art Thou, Who Art Greater than All Pre-Eminence.
                                         μειζων
                                                    πασης υπεροχης.
                      Holy Art Thou, Who Surpasses All These Praises.
                        αγιος ει
                                        κρειττων <παν> των επαινων.
             Accept Chaste Offerings of Logos Uplifted to Thee from Soul and Heart,
         δεξαι αγνας θυσιας λογικας ανατεταμένης προς σε από ψυχης και καρδίας
                Who Art Ineffable, Unutterable, Who Art spoken of In Silence.
                  ανεκλαλητε
                                , αρρητε ,
                                                   φωνουμενε
                                                                  σιωπη .
32
           I Ask that I may never fall-away from The Intuitive-Knowledge of our Ousia
          αιτουμένω το
                            μη σφαληναι
                                            της
                                                      γνωσεως κατ' ημων Ουσια
That Nods-Assent to me; and Endows me with Vitality; and by The Good-Will of This, in order that,
της επινευσον μοι ; και ενδυναμωσον με , [και] της
                                                              χαριτος ταυτης
     I shall Enlighten those of my race who are in ignorance, my Brethren, but Thine Children.
                                            εν αγνοια <εμους> αδελφους, δε σου υιους.
                   τους μου γενος του
        ... For which Reason, I Trust and I Bear Witness that I Withdraw to Life and Light.
                                         μαρτυρω <οτι>
    <...>
                           πιστευω και
                                                            χωρω
                                                                     εις ζωην και φως.
  Blessed Art Thou, O Father. He who is Thine Human-Being wishes to Share of Thine Holiness;
                                               ανθρωπος βουλεται
   ευλογητος ει,
                    πατηρ :
                                        σος
                                                                       σοι συναγιαζειν,
                       even as Thou has given All The Authority to Self.
                       καθως παρεδωκας πασαν την εξουσιαν αυτω .
27
          Then I, having given Thanks and Praise to The Father of Wholes, was sent forth by Self,
         << de eyw , eucaristhsac kai euloghsac ton patera twn olwn , aneibhn up' autou ,
having been Given Power and by having been Taught The Nature of The All, and by having Seen
                                               την φυσιν του παντος, και <θεασαμενος>
     δυναμωθεις
                      και
                                διδαχθεις
The Supreme Vision. And I began to proclaim to Human-Beings about The Beauty of Piety and
την μεγιστην θεαν . και ηργμαι κηρυσσειν τοις ανθρωποις το καλλος της ευσεβειας και
of Intuitive-Knowledge:
       γνωσεως
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'O people, men born of The Earth, who have given yourselves over to drunkenness
                               γηγενεις , οι
                                                 εκδεδω- εαυτοις -κοτες
           "Ω λαοι, ανδρες
    and to sleep by your ignorance of God, Awake to Sobriety, and thus cease being intoxicated,
                                                       , [[και]] δε παυσασθε κραιπαλωντες
              τη αγνωσια του θεου,
                                           νηψατε
                         and being beguiled by the sleep of irrationality.'
                       <<και>> θελγομενοι υπνω
                                                        αλογω ."
28
                   Then, Those who heard came to my side with One Accord.
                          οι ακουσαντες παρεγενοντο
                                                          ομοθυμαδον.
Then I said: "O men born of The Earth, why have you given yourselves over to Death,
                                             εκδεδω- εαυτοις -κατε εις θανατου,
δε εγω φημι, "ο ανδρες
                          [γηγενεις], Τι
                 while Possessing The Authority to Participate of Deathlessness?
                     εγοντες
                                  εξουσιαν μεταλαβειν της αθανασιας;
                You-must-Turn-Your-Mind-About / You-Must-Restore-Your-Mind!
                                       μετανοησατε,
         You who have kept company with the wandering and have shared in their ignorance!
                 συνοδευσαντες
                                     τn
                                            πλανη και συγκοινωνησαντες τη αγνοια:
    Be Liberated/Released from the darkness, Return to The Light! Participate of Immortality,
                       του σκοτ[ειν]ου<ς, αψασθε του> φωτος: μεταλαβετε της αθανασιας,
      απαλλαγητε
                                by Forsaking The Destruction!
                              καταλειψαντες την φθοραν."
29
            And on the one hand, some of themselves stood aloof talking nonsense,
            και
                    μεν
                                  οι αυτων απεστησαν καταφλυαρησαντες
                          giving themselves over to the way of Death;
                        εκδεδω- εαυτους -κοτες τη οδω του θανατου:
  while on the other hand, Others beseeched to be instructed, having thrown Themselves at my feet.
                          οι παρεκαλουν διδαχθηναι, ριψαντες εαυτους προ μου ποδων:
             Then I, bade Them to Stand up, having become The Guide of Their Kind,
            δε εγω, αυτους αναστησας,
                                           εγενομην
                                                       καθοδηγος του γενους,
          by Teaching The Logos, how and in what Way They could be Saved/Preserved.
        διδασκων τους λογους, πως και τινι τροπω
                                                              σωθησονται
                         And I sowed in Selves The Logos of Wisdom,
                      και εσπειρα <εν> αυτοις τους λογους της σοφιας,
         and That which I sowed was Nourished by The Water of Ambrosia/Immortality.
       και
                      σπαρεν> ετραφη[σαν] εκ του υδατος αμβροσιου
                Then as The Evening came, and The Rays of The Sun began to set,
              de ofiac genoments, kai the aughe tou hliou arcoments dues \thetaai,
                                I bade Them All to Thank God;
                        εκελευσα αυτοις ολοις ευχαριστειν τω θεω.
          And when They had fully given Their Gratitude, Each returned to Their own bed.
       και αναπληρωσαντες την ευχαριστιαν εκαστος ετραπη εις την ιδιαν κοιτην.>>
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The Logos of Thrice-Great Hermes to Asclepion

Ερμοι τρισμεγιστου προς Ασκληπιον

Book 2

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Hermes: Is it not the case, of All/Everything that is being Moved, O Asclepion,
1
                                       Παν
                                                 το κινουμενον , ω Ασκληπιε,
that It is being Moved in Something, and by Something? (Parm 2nd Hyp, 145B-146A)
                                  , και υπο τινος ;
      κινειται
                    εν
                          τινι
Asclepion: It is very much the case.
               Μαλιστα .
Her: Then is it not Necessarily the case that, That in which It is being Moved
      δε Ουκ
                  αναγκη
                                         <το> εν
                                                  ω
                                                           κινειται
Must be Greater than That which is being Moved?
  ειναι μειζον <η>
                         το κινουμένον;
Asc: Necessarily . (Αναγκη.)
Her: Accordingly then, Must not That which Moves be Stronger than
           αρα
                                    το κινουν
                                                    Ισχυροτερον
That which is being Moved?
     του κονουμενου
Asc: It is stronger . (γαρ Ισχυροτερον.)
Her: Therefore, That in which It is being Moved Must Necessarily Contain/Possess
       36
                το εν
                                                    αναγκη
                         ω
                                 κινειται
                                                                      εγειν
The Opposite (Active) Nature of That which is Being Moved (Passive Nature).
τη Εναντιαν
                     φυσιν
                                 του κινουμενου
Asc: Quite so . (Και πανυ .)
2
     Hermes: Therefore, This Kosmos is Great; than Which there is no body greater.
                       ουτος <0> κοσμος Μεγας,
                                                            εστι ουκ σωμα μειζον .
                                                   ου
Asc: It is agreed . (Ωμολογηται .)
Her: And It is Massive; for It is Filled with many other great bodies,
    Και στιβαρος; γαρ πεπληρωται πολλων αλλων μεγαλων σωματων,
or rather, with All such bodies that exist.
δε μαλλον παντων οσα σωματων εστι.
Asc: It has to be in this way. (εχει Ουτως.)
Her: But The Kosmos is a body?
          ο κοσμος
                      Σωμα:
Asc: A body . (\Sigma \omega \mu \alpha.)
Her: And It is being Moved?
            κινουμενον;
     Και
Asc: Quite so . (Μαλιστα .)
3
      Hermes: Therefore, of what Magnitude must be The Place/Space in which
                                  Πηλικον δει ειναι τον τοπον
                                                                      εν
The Kosmos is being Moved, and of what Nature? Must not that Space be far greater,
         κινειται
                         , και ποταπον την φυσιν ;
                                                     ου
                                                                     πολυ μειζονα,
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in order that It may be able to take/accept/receive Its Continuous/Perpetual Motion,
               δυνηθη
                                δεξασθαι
                                                       συνεχειαν
   1.να.
                                             την
                                                                      της φορας,
and that That which is being Moved may not be cramped/squeezed by Its narrowness
             το κινουμενον
                                     μη
                                                 θλιβομενον υπο της στενοτητος
so as to obstruct Its Motion?
              την κινησιν;
   επισχη
4A
         Asclepion: What A Very Great Space, O Thrice-Great One!
                   τι Παμμεγεθες χρημα, ω
                                                  Τρισμεγιστε.
Hermes: Then of what Nature is It, O Asclepius? Must It not be of That Nature that is
          δε Ποταπης φυσεως , ω Ασκληπιε; <<αρα>> ου
opposite to That of The Kosmos? For The Incorporeal is the opposite to the corporeal.
εναντιας
                              ; δε το ασωματου
                                                          εναντια
                                                                         σωματι.
Asc: It is agreed . (Ωμολογηται.)
Her: Therefore That Place/Space is Incorporeal .
       ουν
                      τοπος
                                   Ασωματος.
4B But That which is Incorporeal is either Divine, or The God. But now I mean that
                     aswmaton estinh heion \| \eta \| o heoc. de nun
The Divine is not The Begotten, but The Unbegotten. Therefore on the one hand, if
το θειον ου το γεννητον, αλλα το αγεννητον.
                                                        ουν
The Divine is either of The Nature of The Eternal Ousia; or, on the other hand, if
                                  ουσιωδες
  θειον εστιν η
                                                       : n
                                                                              εαν
It is The God, then It Must also be distinct from The Ousia. But Place/Space is
   \langle o \rangle \theta \epsilon o \zeta, \langle \ldots \rangle \kappa \alpha i \gamma i v \epsilon \tau \alpha i
                                        ανουσιαστον
                                                               δε
                                                                    ο τοπος
5 Intelligible in another way; for The God is Primarily Intelligible to Himself, while
                αλλως
                           : γαρ ο θεος εστιν πρωτως
                                                         νοητος
Place/Space is Intelligible to us, not to Himself. For The Intelligible < Is Intelligible >
                         υμιν, ουχ εαυτω . γαρ
  ο τοπος>
                                                       το νοητον
                                                                     <εστιν νοητον>
to That which Intellects. Therefore it is not the case, that sense-perception pertains to
              νοουντι :
                                                       [αισθησει
                                ουκουν
                                                                        υποπιπτει
The God, so that Space/Place is not Intelligible to Himself; for That which Is Being
                  <0 τοπος> ουχ νοητος
                                                 εαυτω , γαρ
Intellected is not Something Else than Himself, but It is Intellected by us. Because of
νοουμενου ου
                   [τι αλλο]
                                υφ' εαυτου, δε
                                                        νοειται ημιν.
                                                                             [δια
this, Something Else is Intellected by us.
τουτο [[τι αλλο εστι]]
                        νοειται ημιν]
     Then if Space/Place is Intelligible, but not as The God, but as Space/Place;
                                          ουχ <ως> οθεος , [αλλ']
                  ο τοπος
                               νοητος
like an Encompassing Energy, then Space/Place is Something Else than The God.
       χωρηκτική ευεργεία, αλλ' <0 τοπος έστι <<τι αλλο>>
                                                                   του θεου>.
     Thus All/Everything That is being Moved is Moved, not in That which Moves,
6B
        δε
                 παν
                              το κινουμενον
                                                κινειται ουκ εν
                                                                     κινουμενω
but in That which Stands Fast. Thus, That which Moves also Stands Fast; for it is
αλλ' εν
              εστωτι
                            . δε
                                         το κινουν
                                                        και
                                                              εστηκεν
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Impossible for Self to be Moved together with That.
αδυνατον αυτο
                          συγκινεισθαι
Asc: Therefore, O Thrice-Great-One, how is it that Those (Stars) that Move in this place,
                    Τρισμεγιστε ,
                                      Πως
                                                  τα <κινουντα>
Move together with Those (Planets) which They move? For you have said that The
    συγκινειται
                      τοις
                                   κινουμενοις
                                                 ; γαρ
                                                             εφης
                                                                        τας
Wandering Spheres are Moved by The Un-wandering Sphere of The Stars.
πλανωμενας τας σφαιρας κινεισθαι υπο της απλανους
                                                             σφαιρας.
Her: This Motion, O Asclepion, is not Motion in The Same Way/Direction, since it is
              , ω Ασκληπιε , εστιν Ουκ
                                               συγκινησις
Motion in The Opposite Way/Direction; for They do not Move in a Similar/Like Way,
         αντικινησις
                             : γαρ
                                       ου κινουνται
but in a Way that is Contrary to one another. Therefore The Opposition of Their Motion
                                                  η εναντιωσις <<της κινησεως>>
αλλ'
           εναντιως
                             αλληλαις .
                                             δε
Maintains Stationary The (Gravitational) Resistance of Their Motion; for Their
          εστωσαν την
                                      αντερεισιν [[της κινησεως]] : γαρ η
Motion is Kept Stabile by Their Resistance .
              στασις
φορας
                              αντιτυπια.
7
    Therefore The Wandering Spheres, are being Moved in The Opposite Direction
               αι πλανωμεναι σφαιραι,
                                          κινουμεναι
                                                               εναντιως
to The Un-Wandering Sphere of The Stars, by Each Other being Moved by The
                                         , [αλληλων
                                                         κινουνται υπ' τη
          απλανει
Opposition of The Counter-movement About The Stationary Self. And it is Impossible
                                   περι την εστωσας αυτην.] και
εναντια υπο της
                      υπαντησει
                                                                      αδυνατον
to be Maintained otherwise. For These Bears (The Big and Little Dipper), which You See,
                 αλλως . γαρ τας ταυτας αρκτους
neither rise nor set, but Turn About The Self; do you think that They are Moved,
μητε ανατελλουσας μητε δυνουσας [δε στρεφομένας πέρι το αυτο,] οιεί κινείσθαι
or that They Stand Fast?
           εσταναι :
Asc: That They are Moved, O Thrice-Great-One.
          κινεισαι
                         , ω Τρισμεγιστε.
Her: What Kind is Their Motion, O Asclepion?
                    Κινησιν , ω Ασκληπιε;
      ποιαν
Asc: It is The Motion that Turns About The Self.
        Tην
                    στρεφομένην πέρι το αυτο.
Her: Therefore, The Revolution About The Self is The Motion that is Held Fast by
                    περιφορα περι το αυτο εστιν η κινησις
                                                              κατεχομενη υπο
Stability; for That Motion About The Self Prevents It from going beyond The Self;
στασεως: γαρ
                          περι <το> αυτο κωλυει
                                                        υπερ
                το
thus by Preventing The Motion from going beyond The Self results in That Motion
δε κωλυομενον
                                  υπερ
                                                το αυτο
About The Self, if It is to be Stable. And in this way The Motions that are Contrary
περι <το> αυτο [ει
                         εστη ]. και
                                          ουτω
                                                      φορα
                                                                  εναντια
                                                   η
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εδραια , υπο
                                στηριζομενη
  εστηκεν
                                                  της
                                                        εναντιοτητος,
     Now I will point out to Thee A Model which you can see with thine own eyes .
                          σοι παραδειγμα
       36
              φρασω
                                              εμπιπτον
                                                            τοις οφθαλμοις,
I mean for example, those living-beings upon The Earth; Such as by Contemplating
                            ζωα
                                           επιγεια
                                                        οιον
   <<αγενω>>
a Human-Being Swimming: For The Water Keeps Flowing; but The Resistance
τον ανθρωπον νηχομενον : γαρ το υδατος
                                            φερομενου
                                                                 αντιτυπια
of the hands and the feet (upon The Water) brings about Stability for the human-being,
των χειρων και των ποδων
                                          γινεται
                                                     στασις
                                                                τω
                                                                     ανθρωπω
so that the swimmer is not carried away by The Water.
                   μη τυγκατενεχθηναι τω υδατι.
Asc: That Model is Clear, O Thrice-Great-One.
    το παραδειγμα Σαφες, ω
                               Τρισμεγιστε.
Her: Therefore, All Motion Moves in A Stable Space/Place,
               πασα κινησις κινειται εν
                                           στασει
and by The Power of A Stable (Intelligible and Incorporeal Space/Place).
και υπο
                   στασεως .
8B Therefore The Motion of The Kosmos, and of All Living Matter, does not happen
               η κινησις του κοσμου, και παντος ζωου υλικου, ουχ συμβαινει
to Arise from Those that are outside of The Body, but from Those that are within, to
               των κατεκτος
                               του σωματος, αλλ' υπο
γινεσθαι υπο
                                                           των
That which is outside; either from Soul or from Something Else that is Incorporeal.
                                               τινος αλλου
        κατεκτος
                    , ητοι
                             ψυχης η
                                                                    ασωματου.
For a Body that is EnSouled is not Moved by a body; since it is generally the case that
              εμψυχον ου<χ κινει<ται> υπο σωματος>: αλλ'
                                                                το συνολον
body cannot Move body, even if the body is soulless.
         ουδε
                 σωμα, καν
                                        η αψυχον.
  Asc: How do you mean this, O Thrice-Great-One? Therefore when logs and stones
                                   Τρισμεγιστε ; ουν τα ξυλα και τους λιθους
               λεγεις τουτο, ω
and all the other soulless things are moved, are they not moved by bodies?
και παντα τα αλλα αψυχα
                                        εστι τα ου κινουντα σωματα;
Her: In no way at all, O Asclepion! For That which is within the body: That which
       Ουδαμως , ω Ασκληπιε: γαρ
                                          το
                                                ενδον του σωματος,
Moves that which is soulless, is not a body. That is That which Moves both, and
κινουν
                 αψυχον, <εστιν> ου σωνα. εκεινο εστι το κινουν αμφοτερα, και
That is That which Moves both the body of the carrier/bearer and That which Moves
                              το σωμα του βασταζοντος και
that which is being carried/borne; for which reason that which is soulless cannot
              βασταζομενου :
                                    διοπερ
                                                  <τo>
                                                            αψυγον ουδεν
Move anything self by self. Surely then you see The Soul being weighed-down, when
\kappa i \nu \epsilon i < \alpha \nu > \tau o \quad \kappa \alpha \theta' < \alpha \nu \tau o > . youv
                                     ορας την ψυχην καταβαρυνομενην, οταν
She carries/bears two bodies Alone. So that it is clear that those that are moved are both
                δυο σωματα μονη . <ωστε> δηλον
                                                        τα κινουμενα
                                                                            και
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are Steadfast and Stable, by being Kept Stationary by Their Contrariety.

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Moved in Something (Incorporeal Space), and by Something (Incorporeal Soul).
κινειται εν
            τ1.V1.
                                       , και υπο
                                                   τινος .
10 Asc: Then, O Thrice-Great-One, must those that are moved be moved in a void?
                     Τρισμεγιστε , δει
                                           τα κινουμενα
                                                            κινεισθαι Εν κενω;
Her: Hush! You must speak Well, O Asclepion! Not One of The Real Beings is void;
                              , ω Ασκληπιε . ουδε εν
                Ευφημ<ει>
                                                          των οντων εστι κενον:
since it is only that (shadows/falsehood) which is not Real Being that is void/empty. For
                                                                   κενον . <<γαρ
     μονον
                                                  ον
                                                           εστι
                                        μŋ
The Hyparxis can never come to Be void, Through The Logos of The Hyparxis.
το υπαρχον>> <<δυναται ουδεποτε γενεσθαι κενον>> τω λογω
                                                            της υπαρξεως;
Therefore, That which Is (The Being) could not be That which Is (Being),
  36
                               αν ηδυνατο ουκ ειναι
                    το ον
if It were not Filled-full of The Hyparxis (The Apex of Existence/Ousia).
             μεστον
                      της υπαρξεως.
Asc: Therefore are not such things empty/void, O Thrice-Great-One, such as an empty
       ουν εστιν Ουκ τοιαυτα τινα κενα , ω
                                                  Τρισμεγιστε , οιον
                                                                         κενος
jar, or a pot, or a trough and all their other likes?
καδος και κεραμος και ληνος παντα τα αλλα τα παραπλησια;
Her: Oh! The magnitude of your wandering, O Asclepion! Are you lead to believe that
    Φευ της πολλης
                           πλανης
                                        , ω Ασκληπιε .
These are void/empty? But rather The Real Beings are The Fullest and The Greatest.
ταυτα ειναι κενα
                  ; μαλλον
                                   τα οντα
                                                  πληρετατα και
                                                                     μεγιστα.
    Asc: What do you mean, O Thrice-Great-One?
11
             Πως λεγεις
                              ω Τρισμεγιστε ;
Her: Is not The Air a body?
    εστιν Ου ο αηρ σωμα;
Asc: A body . (\Sigma \omega \mu \alpha.)
Her: But does not This body Permeate Throughout All of The Real Beings, and Fills
    δε ου Τουτο το σωμα
                                         δια παντων
                                                        των οντων , και πληροι
                            διηκει
All By Its Permeation? But is not a body composed by having been Blended out of The
           διηκον ; δε ουκ σωμα συνεστηκε
                                                       κεκραμενον
                                                                        εκ των
Four (Elemental) Bodies? Therefore, All those which Thou says are empty, are Full
             σωματων;
                                                    συ φης
                                                               κενα , εστιν μεστα
τεσσαρων
                           ουν
                                   παντα
                                              α
of The Air, and if of The Air, then they are also Full of The Four (Elemental) Bodies;
             ει του αερος, δε
                                         και
                                                 των τεσσαρων
                                                                       σωματων:
and so The Opposite Logos has been brought to Light as a result; that All these vessels
                              εκφαινεσθαι
       ο εναντιος λογος
                                                 συμβαινει, οτι παντα ταυτα
which Thou says are Full, are in fact empty of The Air, by Those (Elemental) Bodies
      συ φης μεστα,
                          εστι
                                  κενα του αερος,
being compressed/confined by other bodies (liquids), and so They have no Space/Place
    στενοχωρουμενων υπ' αλλων σωματων
                                               , και
                                                         εχοντων μη τοπον
to admit/receive/accept/take The Air. Therefore, these vessels which Thou says are
        δεξασθαι
                        τον αερα .
                                                                  συ φης ειναι
                                        ουν
                                                  ταυτα
                                                             α
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empty, should be called hollow, not empty; for they are Full of The Hyparxis
        ονομαζειν
                      κοιλα , ου κενα : γαρ εστιν μεστα
                                                             υπαρξεως
of Air and Breath (of Life).
[αερος και πνευματος
Asc: The Logos is Un-opposable/Un-deniable, O Thrice-Great-One!
                       Αναντιρρητος
     ο λογος
                                           , ω
                                                Τρισμεγιστε .
12A
         Hermes: Therefore, what did we say of The Space in which The All
                                   ειπομεν
                                             Τον τοπον
                                                          εν ω
                   is Moved? For we said, O Asclepion, that It is Incorporeal.
                                         ω Ασκληπιε ,
                    κινειται;
                                                         τον
                                                                ασωνατον.
Asclepion: Therefore, what is This that is Incorporeal?
             ουν τι εστι <τουτο> Το
                                       ασωματων:
Her: It Is Intellect, Encompassing Itself Whole From-Whole, Being Free from
                    εμπεριεξων εαυτον ολος εξ
                                                   ολου.
corporeal wandering, Imperturbable, Intangible, Stably-Fixed Self In-Itself,
                                   , αναφης ,
σωματικη [α]πλανης,
                        απαθες
                                                    εστως αυτος εν εαυτω,
Containing and Preserving of All The Real Beings, The Light of The Soul.
cwrphtikoc kai swterioc pantwn twn ontwn , <to> <\pws/ <to> <\punch(\pws).
12B Asclepion: Therefore, what do you say is The Good?
                            Τι
                                  \phi\eta\zeta >> <<\tau o \ \alpha\gamma\alpha\theta o \nu >> ;
Hermes: The Good Is The Archetypal Light; of which The Intellect and The Truth
       are just as if They were Rays.
εισι<ν> ωσπερ ακτινες
13
      Asc: Therefore, what Is The God?
                     τι εστιν Ο θεος;
              ουν
Her: God is neither of These Hyparxes, whereas by Being The Cause to These and
     Ο μηδε<τερ>ον τουτων υπαρχων,
                                         δε
                                                       αιτιος <<τουτοις>> και
                                                ων
to The Existence of These, and to Each One and to All of All The Real Beings; for
   του είναι <<τουτοίζ>> , και εκαστώ ενί και πασί παντών
                                                            των οντων
there is not Anyone left-out, except that which Is not (falsehood/shadows and the like).
  ουδε ουδεν υπελιπε, πλην
                                     το μη ον
Therefore All those that come to be, Exist out of The Real Beings, not out of those
   δε παντα
                τα γινομενα
                                 εστι
                                        εк
                                              των οντων
                                                           , ουκ εκ των
that are not Real Beings . For the (sterile) nature of those that are not Real Beings does
             οντων : γαρ
                                      φυσιν
                                              τα
                                                       μη
not Possess The Power to come to be something; since their (sterile) nature is such that
           του δυνασθαι γενεσθαι
                                     <τι>
                                           , αλλα
they cannot come to be anything. And in turn, The (Eternal) Nature of The Real Beings,
του δυνασθαι μη γενεσθαι τι: και παλιν
                                                φυσιν
                                                                   τα οντα
does not Possess that which does not in any way exists or that which does not ever exist.
  ου
         εχει
                 Γτου
                              μηδεποτ'
                                           ειναι]
                                                      του
                                                                μη ποτε ειναι.
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Therefore, The God is not Intellect, but The Cause of The Existence of Intellect.
            ο θεος εστιν ου νους , δε
                                            αιτιος
                                                          του ειναι
Nor is He The Breath of Life, but The Cause of The Existence of The Breath of Life,
            πνευμα
                             , δε
                                      αιτιος
[ουδε
                                                    του ειναι
                                                                     πνευμα
nor is He The Light, but The Cause of The Existence of The Light.
[ουδε
            φως
                    , δε
                            αιτιος
                                          του ειναι
                                                             \phi\omega\varsigma.]
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- For which Reason, The God must be Worshiped by These Two Familiar Names, τον θεον δει σεβεσθαι ταυταις δυσι ταις προσηγοριας. by Them Belonging Far and Away to Self Alone and to no other. For none of The προσωκειωμεναις αυτω μονω και ουδενι αλλω . γαρ ουδε των Other Beings called Gods, nor human-beings nor Spirits, can even be Good to any αλλων λεγομένων θέων ουτε ανθρωπών ουτε δαιμονών δυναται καν είναι καθ' τις degree (as The Good); for The God Alone Is Good; and This Alone Is Good, and οποσονουν ο θεος μονος η : [[και τουτο μονον εστι no other; since All The Others are incapable-of-containing The Nature of The Good. ουδεν αλλο:]] δε παντα τα αλλα εστι <α>χωρητα της φυσεως του αγαθου. For body and soul are not capable of containing The Good Space/Place; for Such γαρ σωμα και ψυχη εστι ουκ δυναμενον εχοντα το αγαθον τοπον : γαρ τοσουτον 15 Is The Greatness of The Good, Such Is The Hyparxis of All The Real Beings, εστι το μεγεθος του αγαθου, οσον εστιν <η> υπαρξις παντων των οντων, of both The Corporeal, and of The Incorporeal, of The Sensible and Intelligible. αισθητων και νοητων. σωματων ασωματων , και , και And The God Is Solely This, and no other. Therefore, call nothing else Good, <<και>> ο θεος εστι <<μονον>> τουτο, <<και ουδεν αλλο>>. ουν ειπης μη αλλο τι αγαθον other than Solely The God; since you would be impious. And never call The God μονον τον θεον>, επει ασεβ<ησ>εις : η ποτε anything else than Solely The Good; since again, you would be impious. η μονον το αγαθον, επει παλιν ασεβ<ησ>εις τι αλλο
- 16 Therefore on the one hand, the good is spoken by All in word, whereas on the το αγαθον λεγεται υπο παντων λογω, other hand, What in the world It Is, is not Intellected by All; and so because of this, εστιν ου νοειται υπο παντων: ποτε The God is not Intellected by All; and so in their ignorance, they call The Gods and <0> θεος ουδε νοειται υπο παντων : και αλλ' αγνοια ονομαζουσι τους θεους και certain human-beings good; who cannot Ever Be, nor can Ever come to Be (Good). τινας των ανθρωπων αγαθους, μητε δυναμένους μηδεπότε είναι μητέ αν υένεσθαι. For The Good is The Most Alien/Foreign/Strange to These; and The Good Is γαρ <το αγαθον> εστι αλλοτριωτατον <τουτων>, *Inseparable* from The God, by Being The God/Divine Self. Therefore on the one του θεου , ως ον αγωριστον θεος αυτος. 0 hand, All The Other Deathless Gods that are called Good, are Honored by The Name παντές οι αλλοι [αθανατοι] θεοι <λέγονται αγαθοί>, τετιμημένα τη προσηγορία of The God; whereas on the other hand, The God is called The Good not by way of του θεου: δε ο θεος <λεγεται> το αγαθον ου

Honor, but According to Nature; for The Nature of The God Is One with The Nature τιμην , αλλα φυσιν : γαρ η φυσιος του θεου κατα of The Good; and so there Is One Genus from Both, from which, there Exist All The του αγαθου, Γκαι εν γενος αμφοτερων, εξ ου παντα τα Genera. For The God Is Good, since All is Given and nothing is taken. γενη]. [γαρ ο <θεος> <<εστιν>> αγαθος , <ως> απαντα [[εστι]] διδους και μηδεν λαμβανων.] Therefore, The God Gives All and nothing is taken. Therefore The God Is The Good, ο θεος διδωσι παντα και ουδεν λαμβανει.] ουν ο θεος <το> αγαθον, and The Good Is The God. και το αγαθον ο θεος.

17A Then in turn, The Other Familiar Name (See 14) of The God Is The Father. δε παλιν η ετερα προσηγορια του η πατερα, because He Is The Creator of All; for The Father is The One who Creates/Makes. το ποιητικον παντων : γαρ πατρος And for this reason *The Begetting-of-*Children (Symposium 206E) is the most Serious παιδοποια μεγιστη σπουδη και and the most Pious of concerns in Life by Those who are Well Mindful. For it is both και ευσεβεστατη <των> εν τω βιω τοις εστιν ευ φρονουσιν: εστιν και a great misfortune and impiety for human-beings to depart from Life Childless; << just μεγιστον ατυχημα και ασεβημα ανθρωπων απαλλαγηναι εξ ατεκνον: οπερ as it is accursed by The Sun (to be sterile/barren/unproductive). Justice is also εστι κατηραμενον υπο του ηλιου . >> δικην Imparted to such a one after *Death* by Spiritual-Beings. Thus The Retribution is this: ουτος μετα θανατον τοις δαιμοσιν . δε διδωσι η that the soul of the one who is Childless is bound by Law to enter into a body that has ατεκνου καταδικασθηναι την ψυχην του εις σωμα εχον

Imparted to such a one after *Death* by Spiritual-Beings. Thus The Retribution is this: διδωσι ουτος μετα θανατον τοις δαιμοσιν. δε η τιμωρια εστιν ηδε, that the soul of the one who is Childless is bound by Law to enter into a body that has την ψυχην του ατεκνου καταδικασθηναι εις σωμα εχον neither the nature of a man nor that of a woman. Therefore, O Asclepion, never μητε φυσιν ανδρος μητε γυναικος . τοιγαρουν, ω Ασκληπιε, μηδενι rejoice-together with one that is childless, but instead, pity their circumstance, συνησθης οντι ατεκνω, δε τουναντιον ελεησον την συμφοραν, knowing what kind of Retribution awaits self. επισταμένος οια τιμωρια μένει αυτον.

So-much and **Such-like** have I taught Thee , O Asclepion , τοσαυτα και τοιαυτα λελεχθω σοι , ω Ασκληπιε , **A Certain Fore-Knowledge** of **The Nature** of **All** .

τις προγνωσια της φυσεως παντων.

The Holy Logos of Thrice Great Hermes.

του ιερος λογος τρισμεγιστου Ερμου.

Book 3

That The God Is The First of All, and that The All Is Divine $<\infty$ 1 o θ 805 protos apanton, kal $<\infty$ 1 o θ 8100, And That The Nature Is Divine.

- **1A** The God Is The Source of The Real Beings, and of Intellect and of Nature Αρχη των οντων , και νου και φυσεως and of Matter, in order to show forth Wisdom by Creating Everything, by Being The υλη εις δειξιν σοφια <ποιησας $\pi\alpha\nu\tau>\alpha$, Source of All. And Nature is The Energy of The God, and Nature Operates/Energizes atch panton: $<<\kappa\alpha i>>$ h fusic $<<\epsilon\nu$ erergeia>> to $<\upsilon>$ θ eou [και] in accordance to Necessity, and She Energizes through Consuming and Renewing, κατ' αναγκην και <ενεργουσα> τελος και ανανεωσις.
- The Unlimited Deep , and Unlimited Water ; and there γαρ ην σκοτος εν [[απειρον]] αβυσσω , και <<απειρον>> υδωρ , και was A Subtle , Intelligent Breath , which Permeated (Book 2-11) those in Chaos with λεπτον νοερον πνευμα , <...> τα εν χαει Divine Power . Thus upon All the undefined/indistinct and thoroughly-unprepared beings , θεια δυναμει . << δε απαντων αδιοριστον και ακατασκευαστων οντων ,>> surely then there was Shed A Holy Light ; and The Elements and All The Gods came to Be . δη ανειθη αγιον φως : < και τα> στοιχεια [και παντες θεοι] < εγενετο> .
- 2A All of Nature was thoroughly divided in the sowing, for The Wholes were Defined, so [[φυσεως καταδιαιρουσι ενσπορου]] <γαρ> <<των ολων διορισθεντων>> that Those that are Subtle were Set-Apart On High, thus The Fire was Suspended On High, τα ελαφρα απεχωρισθη εις υψος, <του πυρος <<ανακρεμασθεντος to Ride-upon The Wind/Air/Breath; and Those that are heavy sank down, and The Sand οχεισθαι>> τω> πνευματι . και τα βαρεα <κατηνεχθη, και> αμμος was laid beneath The Fluid Ousia, and The Dry Land was made Solid by being separated from εθεμελιωθη υφ' υγρα <ουσια> <<και <η ξηρα> επαγη The Fluid Ousia. υγρας ουσιας. >>
- 2B And The Fiery Ousia was Differentiated Along-with The Gods in Self; and in The Heaven <<και <η πυρινή ουσια> διήρθρωθη συν τοις θεοις εν αυτή :>> και ο ουρανος were Seen within Seven Spheres , and The Gods were Seen in Their Astral Ideal-Forms ωφθη εν επτα κυκλοις , και θεοι οπτανομενοι εν [ταις] αστρων ιδεαις Along-with All The Constellation-Signs of Themselves . And The Heaven Revolved συν απασι τοις σημειοις αυτων : και περιε<ι>λιχθη by Running Its Ethereal Circling-course , by Riding-upon The Divine Wind/Breath/Air . δρομηματι το α<ιθ>ερι<υ> [περικυκλιον] , οχουμενον θειω πνευματι .

- 3A Thus Each God, by Their Own Power, put forth That which was Appointed to Self. δε εκαστος θεος δια της ιδιας δυναμεως ανηκε το προσταχθεν αυτω: And there came forth four-footed and reptilian and water-born and winged wild animals, και εγενετο τετραποδα και ερπετα και ενυδρα και πτηνα θηρια, and every seed and pasturage and every flower and herb was sown, according to Their [και πασα σπορα και χορτος και παντος ανθους και χλοη ενσπορος], <<κατα Different Natures, by being seeded within Themselves of the seed of Regeneration. διαιρεσιν φυσεων>>, [ε]σπερμοζονουντα[ς] εν εαυτοις το σπερμα της παλιγγγενεσιας.
- **3B** ... and The Generation of Human-beings, by The Intuitive-Knowledge into Divine των ανθρωπων, γενεσεις γνωσιν εις θειων Works, and by Witnessing The Energies of Nature, and the multitude of human works, εργων, και μαρτυριαν ενεργουσης φυσεως, [και ανθρωπων 1 πληθος and The Rulership of All those under Heaven, and All The Good Insights found in that which και δεσποτείαν παντων των υπ' ουρανον, και αγαθων επιγνωσιν] is to be increased in the increase and is to be multiplied in multitude (Rep 587C). And that αυξανεσθαι εν αυξησει και πληθυνεσθαι εν πληθει Through The Encircling Course of The Gods, Every Soul that is in-the-flesh, has been εγκυκλιων δρομηματος θεων πασαν ψυχην ενσαρκ<0>ι δια Prepared for The Contemplation of Heaven, and The Course of All The Heavenly Gods, -σκευασας εις κατοπτ<ε>ιαν ουρανου [και δρομηματος ουρανιων and for The Intuitive-Knowledge into The Divine Power of Divine Works and by Witnessing και γνωσιν <<εις θεις δυναμέως>> [θειων εργων] και <<μαρτυριαν>> The Energies of Nature, and by going into the tokens/signs/indications of Goods, by The ενεργειας φυσεως, τε σημειω<σιν> αγαθων [[εις εις Intuitive-Knowledge of Divine Powers]], by Knowing the unruly fate of "good things" θειας δυναμεως]], γνωναι οχλουμενης μοιρας αγαθων and "bad things", and by Discovering all the marvelous works of the good (as those of **Daidalos**). ευρειν πασαν δαιδαλουργιαν [αγαθων]. φαυλων, και
- 4 And it belongs to selves to live and to pass away according to the determined fate τε <υπ>αργε<ι> αυτοις βιωσαι τε και αφ<αν>ισθηναι προς μοιραν of The Encircling Course of The Gods, and to be dissolved into (Time.) And there <εγ>κυκλιων δρομηματος $\theta \epsilon \omega v$, kai analu $\theta \eta v \alpha i$ $\epsilon i c [o] < ...$ will be some on the one hand, whose names will live-on, by leaving-behind upon The Earth ονομαστοι > καταλιποντες επι της γης μεν mighty memorials of their artistry; whereas on the other hand, Time will hide in darkness μεγαλα απομνημονευματα τεχνουργηματων: <δε <0> γρονος αμαυρωσει the names of the many. And every generation of ensouled flesh, and every skilful work <τα> ονοματα των πολλ>ων . και πασαν γενεσιν ενψυχου σαρκος [και πασας τεχνουργιας] of fruit from seed, will be received by destruction; but those that become less will be Renewed καρπου σπορας <διαδεξεται φθορα>: <δε> τα αλαττουμενα ανανεωθησεται by Necessity and by The Renewal of The Gods and by The Encircling Numbered Course ανανεωσει] θεων [και <εγ>κυκλιων εναριθμιω δρομηματι [αναγκη] [και of Nature . For All The Kosmic Blending are The Judgments of The Divine , by-beingφωσεως]. γαρ πασα η κοσμικη συγκρασις $\langle \epsilon \kappa \kappa \rho i \mu \alpha \tau \alpha i \rangle \tau 0 \langle \upsilon \rangle \theta \epsilon \langle \iota \rangle 0 \upsilon$, $\alpha \nu \alpha -$ -perpetually-renewed by Nature; for Nature has also been Established in The Divine. -νεουμενη φυσει : γαρ η φυσις και καθεστηκεν εν τω θε[ι]ω.

The Holy Logos of Hermes to Tat. Ερμου προς Τατ.

Book 4

The Krater (The Bowl). [The Monad.] ο κρατηρ . [η μονας.]

- 1A Hermes: [[Seeing that The Demiurgos had made The Whole Kosmos, not with hands but ο δημιουργός εποίησεν τον πάντα κόσμον]] [ου χερσίν αλλ' [[Επειδη by *The Logos*, so that in this way it must be understood, that since That which Is Solely One] [[ωστε ουτως υπολαμβανε , και ως μονου ενος του Is Always Present, and Creates All; thus He Fashions The Real Beings by The Will of Self. οντος αει παροντος και ποιησαντος παντα , και δημιουργησαντος τα οντα τη θελησει αυτου .]] 1B For such is That which is Incorporeal; It Is not tangible, nor visible, nor Measurable, <...> γαρ τ<οι>ουτο εστι το <α>σωμα<τον> ουχ απτον, ουδε ορατον, ουδε μετρητον, nor partible and not Like Anything else. For That is not Fire, nor Water, oude diastaton, oude omoion tini allw . Yar <<ekeinoc>> estin oude π ur, oute udwr , nor Air, nor Breath; whereas All These came to Be Through Self. For by Being Good, oute and , oute pyeima : alla panta <tau>ta <geyonen> up' autou gar wu This solely applies to Himself. τουτο μονω αναθειναι εαυτω.
- Then since The Demiurgos had made The Whole Kosmos, He Willed that The Earth ο δημιουργος εποιησαν τον παντα κοσμον ,>> ηθελσε την γην also Be Adorned, and thus The Human Body was sent down as an Adornment of The Father; δε τον ανθρωπον σωματος κατεπεμψε και κοσμησαι : κοσμον The Living Mortal Image of an Immortal Living Being. For The Human-being came to be ζωον θνητον <εικονα> αθανατου ζωου . < . . . > γαρ ο ανθρωπος [[εγενετο]] to Contemplate The Works of The God; and for this purpose; that He might Recognize/Know θεατης των εργων του θεου : και <επι τουτο , [ε]γνωρισαι The Kosmic-Adornment that He Created, with Wondering Awe. And thus on the one hand, τον ποιησαντα [ε]θαυμασαι . [[και τον κοσμον The Kosmos of Living-Beings has The Advantage of Life and also of The Adornment of ο κοσμος των ζωων επλεονεκτει του ζωου και του κοσμου The Logos and of The Intellect. τον λογον και τον νουν.]]
- Thus on the other hand, The Human-being has **The Advantage** over the other living beings < . . . ο ανθρωπος [ε]πλεονεκται των <αλλων> ζωων of The Life and of The Adornment of The Logos and of The Intellect. Therefore, O Tat, [του ζωου και του κοσμου] τον λογον και τον νουν.>> ουν on the one hand, The Logos was apportioned in All Human-beings; whereas on the other hand, τον λογον εμερισε [εν] πασι τοις ανθρωποις, Intellect was not yet apportioned to All, but not through ill-will towards some; for ill-will τισιν : γαρ ο φθονος φθονων τον νουν ουκετι ου does not begin from Heavenly-Source, since it is contrived down-below, in the souls ουραν<ο>θεν , δε ουκ αρχεται συνισταται κατω ταις ψυχαις

of those human-beings who are **not** in possession of **Intellect**. των ανθρωπων μη εχοντων νουν. Tat: Therefore, O Father, for what Reason did The God not apportion Intellect to All? , ω πατερ , Δια τι ο θεος ου εμερισε τον νουν πασιν; Hermes: He Willed, O Son, that This Intellect should be situated in The Middle. Ηθελησεν, ω τεκνον, ιδρυσθαι τουτον μεσω just as if it were a Prize-Won by Their Souls. ωσπερ αθλον ταις ψυχαις. **Tat**: And *where* was **Self** situated?

Και που αυτον ιδρυσατο;

Hermes: He sent down A Great (Hollow) Bowl Filled with This; Appointing A Messenger, κατεπεμψε μεγαν Κρατηρα πληρωσας τουτου, δους κηρυκα and He Ordered Self to Proclaim to The Hearts of Human-beings in the following way; και εκεκευσεν αυτω κηρυξαι ταις καρδιαις των ανθρωπων ταδε:

"Baptize *The Power* of **Thy-Self** in **This Bowl**, *by Recognizing* for what purpose Βαπτισον η δυναμενη(*The Hypotenuse*) σεαυτην εις τουτον τον κρατερα, $<<\gamma$ νωριζουζα επι τι you have come to be, and *by Trusting* that you shall *Ascend* to **Him** who sent down **The Bowl**." γ εγονας, >> <και> πιστευουσα οτι ανελευση προς τον καταπεμψαντα τον κρατηρα.

Thus on the one hand, those who *Took Notice* of The Proclamation, and were Baptized συνηκαν του κηρυγματος, και εβαπτισαντο by Intellect, these that Participated of The Intuitive-Knowledge, and became Perfect Humans, του νοος , ουτοι , και εγενοντο τελειοι ανθρωποι , μετεσχον γνωσεως της by Receiving Intellect. Whereas on the other hand, those who missed The Proclamation, these δεξαμενοι τον νουν. οσοι ημαρτον του κηρυγματος, ουτοι 36 on the one hand, have of The Rational, whereas on the other hand, they had not yet <εχοντες <τον> λογ[ικ]ον, $<\delta\epsilon>$ also Gained Their Intellect. And on the one hand, these were ignorant, for what *purpose* προσειληφοτες τον νουν outoi >, agnoountes μεν επι τι <και they had come to be, and from what Source. γεγονασι και υπο τινος

Whereas on the other hand , the perceptions of these people $\it{resemble}$ those of irrational [δε αι αισθησεις τουτων παραπλησιαι ταις των αλογων living-beings; by both having a bad-mixture of passion and rage , \it{by} not Admiring Those ζωων] $<\sigma$ υν>εχονται α>κρασια και εν θυμω και εν] οργη , ου θαυμαζοντες $<<\tau$ α>Objects which are \it{Worthy} of \it{Their} Attention , but instead , they cling to the pleasures and ου αξια θεας , [δε] προσεχοντες ταις ηδοναις και

appetites of their bodies, and by trusting that human-beings came to be for that purpose. ορεξεσι των σωματων, και πιστευοντες τον ανθρωπον γεγονεναι δια ταυτα.

Whereas Those that Participated of The Gift of The God , These , O Tat , are Immortal $\delta\epsilon$ osoi metescon the dwretch operation of tou beou , outoi , w Tat , eigh abanatoi instead of mortal ; by comparison with the others . For They Comprehend All by Their Intellect ; anti θ ntwn , kata sugkrisin twn eterwn : <gap> emperilabontes panta eautwn twn i,

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All those upon The Earth, and Those in Heaven, and Those Beyond Heaven if there are any,
                                   εν ουρανω, και
                                                          υπερ ουρανον ει
  τα.
                            τα
and having been Lifted to That Height, Themselves See The Good, and by Seeing/Realizing
     υψωσαντες
                        τοσουτον
                                      εαυτους ειδον το αγαθον, και
They are led to believe that the time spent here is a misfortune, and thus They disdain
     ηγησαντο
                      την διστριβην ενθαδε
                                              συμφοραν, <και> καταφρονησαντες
All that is corporeal, by Hurrying to The One and Only Good.
παντων των σωματικών, σπευδουσιν επι το εν και μονον <αγαθον>.
6A This Self, O Tat, is The Energy of Intellect; The Abundance of Knowledge of Those
     αυτη , ω Τατ , εστιν η <ενεργεια> του νου ,
                                                   ευπορια
                                                                επιστημη<ς
that are Divine and It Is The Full-Intellection of The God, by The Bowl Being Divine.
                           κατανοησεως
                                             του θεου [[του κρατηρος]] [οντος θειου].
        θειων και
                       [ŋ]
6B Tat: And I, O Father, wish to be Baptized of The Bowl.
          Καγω, ω πατηρ, βουλομαι βαπτισθηναι <<του κρατηρος>>.
Hermes: If You, O Son, do not first hate the body, You will not be able to Love Thy-Self;
         Εαν , ω τεκνον , μη πρωτον μισησης το σωμα , ου δυνασαι
                                                                     φιλησαι σεαυτον:
whereas by Loving Thy-Self, You will Possess Intellect; and by Possessing Intellect,
         φιλησας σεαυτον,
                                                                        τον νουν .
                                 εξεις
                                              νουν , και
                                                              εχων
You will also Participate of Its Knowledge.
    και μεταληψη
                          της επιστημης.
Tat: In what way do You mean this, O Father?
                          ταυτα , ω πατερ ;
                  λεγεις
Hermes: For it is manifestly impossible, O Son, to come to be about both, the mortal and
        γαρ εστιν δηλαδη Αδυνατον, ω τεκνον, γινεσθαι περι αμφοτερα, τα θνητα και
The Divine. For there are Two Kinds of Beings, corporeal and Incorporeal; in which there is
τα θεια . γαρ οντων
                                  των οντων, σωματος και ασωματου, εν οις
                          δυο
the mortal and The Divine, and the one who wills to make their choice is left free to seize
το θνητον και το θειον ,
                             τω βουλομενω
                                                        η αιρεσις καταλειπεται ελεσθαι
either one. And in such a selection, it is not possible to seize both; for if the one is lessened,
θατερου. τε [εν] οιο<ν> [η εξαιρεσις] [εστιν] ου καταλαβειν αμφοτερα: γαρ το ετερον ελαττωθεν
then it reveals the energy/activity of the other.
δε εφανερωσιν την ενεργειαν του ετερου.
        Therefore on the one hand, The Energy of The Better Choice happens to be
                                 η [ενεργεια] του κρειττονος αιρεσις τυγχανει
Most Beautiful for The One who chooses; for It not only Preserves/Saves the Human-being,
                     τω ελομενω
                                     , <<ου μονον>> αποσωζουζα
                                                                      τον ανθοωπον
but It also Reveals Their Piety in Relation to The God. Whereas on the other hand, the
αλλα και επιδεικνυσα ευσεβειαν προς <τον> θεον.
                                                                δε
energy of the worse choice on the one hand, happens to be the undoing of the human-being,
                                                                    τον ανθρωπον ,
         του ελαττονος
                                                       απωλεσεν
whereas on the other hand, it is none the less out-of-tune to The God, or only this; since just as
                     ουδεν <ηττοι> επλημμελησεν εις τον θεον [η μονον τουτο]: οτι καθαπερ
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μεσον , μητε ενεργησαι τι

αυται δυναμεναι,

those in processions who pass through The Middle, cannot energize any of their own Powers,

παρερχοντ**αι**

αι πομπαι

8A Therefore, O Tat, since these affairs have to be in this way, on the one hand, Those that ουτως , τουτων εχοντων Issue/Arise/Spring from The God will also Issue/Arise/Spring from The God for us, and on παρα του θεου [τε] και υπαρξε υπαρξει ημιν, the other hand, may Those be Followed by us, and may we not fall short; since on the one hand, τα ακολουθησατω αφ' ημων , και μη υστερησατω: επει The God Is without blame. Therefore, on the other hand, we are the cause of the vices; ημεις αιτιοι των κακων. αναιτιος , ο θεος δε by preferring these, instead of The Virtuous Goods (Odyssey Bk1:32-34). προκρινοντες ταυτα αγαθων των

8B You see, O Son, how many bodies we must pass through in succession, and <...> ορας, ω τεκνον, ποσα σωματα ημας δει διεξελθειν <<κατα συνεχειαν>>, και how many choruses of Spirits and courses of Stars there are, in order that we may press on to ποσους χορους δαιμονων και δρομους αστερων σπευσωμεν προς ινα The One and Only God. For The Good Is Un-crossable; and since It Is Unlimited, and τον ενα και μονον θεον . γαρ το αγαθον < . . . α>διαβατον , και απεραντον, και Endless; thus It Is By-Self and without-Beginning/Cause, but to us, Its Knowledge αυτω και αναργον ατελες. δε , δε ημιν την γνωσιν 9 appears to have A Beginning. Therefore, The Knowledge of That which is to be Known δοκουν εχειν ουν η γνωσις <<του γνωσθησομενου>> αρχην does not begin to Be, Of-Itself; since it is (only) for us that Its Beginning is produced. ουκ αρχη γινεται αυτου , αλλ' παρεξεται. ημιν την αρχην Therefore, let us lay hold of Its Beginning, and let us Journey with all speed. For the της αρχης , και οδευσωμεν απαντιταχει . γαρ το λαβωμεθα forsaking of our intimates and those present is very difficult, and to Return to Those Ancient καταλιποντα τα συνηθη και παροντα εστι πανυ δυ>σκολ[ι]ον και ανακαμπτειν επι τα παλαια Sources; for on the one hand, Those that are Apparent delight/gladden/cheer us, whereas on αργαια : γαρ μεν τα φαινομενα τερπει the other hand, Those that are Invisible make us disbelief. But those that are more-apparent τα αφανη ποιει δυσπιστιαν . δε φανερωτερα are those that are vicious; since The Good is Invisible to those that are visible; for there is no τα κακα : δε το αγαθον αφανες τοις φανεροις : γαρ εστιν ου form *nor* shape for **Self**. For it is impossible for **The Incorporeal** to be manifest to the corporeal μορφη ουτε τυπος αυτω . << γαρ αδυνατον ασωματον φανηναι σωματι>> through this; since on the one hand, It Is Like Self, whereas, It Is Unlike All The Others. δια τουτο , <οτι> εστιν ομοιον αυτω, δε ανομοιον πασιν τοις αλλοις. μεν For Self is *Different* from The Like in relation to The Unlike, and to the deficiency [αυτη διαφορα του ομοιου το ανομοιον, και υστερημα προς of That which is Unlike in relation to The Like. τω ανομοιω προς το ομοιον .]

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      For The Monad Is The Source and Root of All. For The God Is in All as if He were
<...>[[γαρ η μονας, ουσα αρχη και ριζα παντων]] <math><γαρ ο θεος εστιν εν πασιν ως αν
Their Root and Source . Thus there is nothing without A Source ; whereas The Self Source
                               ουδεν
                                           ανευ
                                                                    <η αυτη αργη>
     ριζα και αργη . δε
                                                   αργης :
                                                               δε
Springs from nothing other than Self, if indeed She Is The Source of The Others. For Self
            ουδενος αλλ' η αυτης, ει γε
                                             εστι
                                                                των ετερων. [γαρ αυτη
                                                      αρχη
Is The Source of Self, since She does not happen to be a source from Other Sources.
                                 μη ετυχεν] [ουσα] αρχης
εστιν <<αρχη>> <αυτης>, επει
                                                                     αλλης
Therefore, The God Is Like A Monadic Source. For by The Monad Being The Source and
                            μοναδι [[αρχη]]. <<γαρ
            ο θεος <εοικεν
                                                       η μονας ουσα
  ουν
                                                                          αργη
Root of All Numbers, It Encompasses/Embraces Every Number, whereas It is Surrounded
                                              παντα αριθμον.
ριζα παντων >> <αριθμων>, εμπεριεχει
                                                                    εμπεριεχομενη
by none; and It Generates Every Number, whereas It is Generated by no other Number.
υπο μηδενος, και γεννα παντα αριθμον,
                                              γεννωμενη υπο μηδενος ετερου αριθμου.
11A But All that is Generated is incomplete/imperfect, and divisible, and is subject to increase
     δε παν το γεννωμενον
                                                  , και διαιρετον ,
                                     ατελες
                                                                      και
                                                                              αυξητον
and decrease; whereas That which is Complete/Perfect is subject to none of these conditions.
και μειωτον:
                                   τελειω
                                                     γινεται ουδεν
                          τω
And on the one hand, That which Increases, Increases by Virtue of The Monad, whereas on
                        το αυξητον
                                       αυξανεται
                                                   απο
                                                            της μοναδος,
the other hand, that which is overpowered, is overpowered by its own weakness,
                                        αλισκεται υπο της αυτου ασθενειας,
by no longer being able to Give-way to The Monad.
  μηκετι δυναμενον χωρησαι
                                  την μοναδα .]
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11B In these outlines, O Tat, I have *Drawn* a *Likeness* of The God for Thee, as far as possible; , ω Τατ , υπογεγραπται του θεου κατα το δυνατον: εικων σοι if perhaps you *Truly Gaze upon* and *Intellect (This Likeness)* with *The Eyes* of Your Heart, θεαση [και νοησεις] ακριβως τοις οφθαλμοις της καρδιας Trust Me, Son, you will find The Direction of The Road Above; but more to the point, πιστευσον μοι , τεκνον , ευρησεις τα προς της οδον ανω :δε The Self Vision of *The Likeness* will *Guide* Thee . For The Vision *Possesses A Certain* η αυτη $<\theta$ εα>[εικων] οδηγησει σε. γαρ [η θεα] τι **Peculiarity**; of taking possession of Those who have Attained to Be Spectators, φθασαντας τους καρεχει θεασασθαι and Draws Them Upward, just as it is said, that The Magnetic Stone draws the iron. ανελκει καθαπερ φασιν η Μαγνητις λιθος τον σιδηρον. και

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5 The Logos of Hermes to His Son Tat Ερμου προς υιον Τατ

That God is Invisible, and yet Is Most-Manifest. οτι θεος αφανης <...> εστι φανερωτατος.

Book 5

Hermes: The Logos that follows, O Tat, I will also explain in detail to Thee, , ω Τατ , Και τον λογον τονδε διεξελευσομαι 1A in order that Thou does not remain uninitiated in The Mysteries of The God who is αμυητος του θεου Greater than a name . Therefore Thou must Intellect In What Way I mean this; for κρειττονος ονοματος. συ νοει (λεγω : γαρ by Intellecting, that which is imagined by the many to be hidden/invisible/unseen τοις πολλοις δοκουν νοουντι το αφανες will become most manifest to Thee . . . for God would not Be if He were not-manifest . γενησεται φανερωτατον σοι.<...>[γαρ ανου ην ει αφανες .] ην

For All that has been brought into The Light is begotten, for It has been made φαινομενον 1B γαρ παν γεννητον : γαρ visible. Whereas on the other hand, That which is Invisible Always Is; for It has no δε το αφανες αει εστι : γαρ need to be manifest; for God Always Is; and He Makes All the rest visible, by Self φανηναι . γαρ < . . . > αει εστι : και ποιει παντα τα αλλα φανερα , αυτοςBeing Invisible, by Always Being. Therefore, All are visible, but Self is not visible, <ουν παντα> φανερων, αυτος ου φανερουται, αφανης, ως αει ωv . since **Self** is **not** brought into being in images of imagination, but **All** are visible images. φαντασια , [[δε]] παντα φαντασιων. αυτος ουκ γεννωμενος εν For it is only those that are begotten that belong to the imagination; for the imagination η φαντασια : γαρ η φαντασια γαρ μονων των γεννητων εστιν is nothing else than generation. Surely then it is Clear that The One is Un-generated and δη δηλον οτι ο εις αγεννητος ουδεν η γενεσις . Not-manifest/In-visible; but if not-manifest, then The One is also un-seen/hidden. : <δε ει αφαντασιαστος ,> αφαντασιαστος και αφανης.

Thus All are visible images, through All being brought to Light, and δε τα παντα φαντασιων, δια παντων φαινεται especially, in All those which Self may also Will to be brought to Light. Therefore, αυτος αν και βουληθη φανηναι μαλιστα, εν πασι oıc O son Tat, Thou must first Pray to The Lord and Father, who is not only in The Good, ο τέκνον Τατ , συ πρώτον ευξαι τω κυρίω και πάτρι , [ουχ] μόνω ενί τω <αγάθω> but also The One from Which, that you may find Favor, in order that Thou may be able αλλ' και ο εις ιλεω , [[δυνηθης αφ ου . τυγειν to Intellect The God so Venerable, and that even if One Invisible Ray of Self (Rep 540) νοησαι τον θεον τηλικουτον,]] και καν μιαν αφανες ακτινα αυτου

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may Shine to Thine Mind, for Intellection alone Sees That which is Invisible, since
ελλαμψαι τη ση διανοια, γαρ
                               νοησις μονη ορα
                                                              αφανες
Self is also Invisible; then if That which is in Thee and is also Invisible is Thee,
αυτη ουσα και αφανες : <<δε ει το
                                         εν σοι
                                                   και
                                                           αφανες εστι σοι,
how can Self Being In Himself be made visible to thee through the eyes?
  πως αυτος <ων> εν εαυτω
                                φανησεται
                                              σοι δια των οφθαλμων;>> <δε> ει
Thou are Able to See with The Eyes of Intellect, then He will Be made Visible, O Tat;
  δυνασαι <<ιδειν>> τοις οφθαλμοις του νου,
                                                       φανησεται
                                                                          , ω Τατ :
for Intellection Sees The Lord come to Light with No-ill-will throughout All of The
γαρ [νοησιν] [[ιδειν]] ο κυριος
                               φαινεται
                                               αφθονος
                                                               δια παντος του
Kosmos. And are Thou able to grasp Self with these hands, and to behold The Image
κοσμου: και δυνασαι λαβεσθαι αυτης ταις χερσι, [[και θεασασθαι την εικονα
of The God? But if That which is within Thee is Invisible to Thee, then how can
του θεου]].[[ ει
                       το
                                 εν
                                       σοι εστι αφανες
                                                           σοι , δε
                                                                        πως
Self that is within Thyself become visible to Thee through the eyes?
                                         σοι δια των οφθαλμων ;]]
αυτος
                 σαυτω
                          φανησεται
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If Thou wishes to See Self, then Thou must Intellect The Sun, Thou must θελεις ιδειν αυτον, δε νοησον τον ηλιον, Intellect The Way of The Moon, Thou must Intellect The Order of The Stars. Who -σον τον δρομον σεληνης , νοησον την ταξιν των αστερων. τις it is That Maintains That Order? For All Order is Well-Defined by Number and Place. την ταξιν; [γαρ πασα ταξις] [[περιωρισται αριθμω και τοπω.]] to Whom All The Gods of Heaven Yield [The One Place], as if He were Their King ω παντες οι θεοι ουρανιοι εικουσιν βασιλει ωσανει and Master, and yet This Great and Venerable Sun God of The Gods in Heaven; και δυναστη: και ουτος ο μεγιστος ο τηλικουτος ηλιος [[θεος]] των θεων κατ' ουρανον Who is Greater than Earth and Sea, Submits Himself to having smaller Stars Circling ο μειζων γης και θαλαττης, ανεχεται εαυτον εχων μικροτερους αστερας πολευοντας Over Himself. Is He in Awe of anyone, or does He fear anyone, O Son? Are not , η φοβουμένος τινα , ω τέκνον ; υπερ εαυτου : αιδουμενος τινα each one of These Stars also Well-Defined by Measured Limits, and has an Appointed εκαστοςτουτων των αστερων <<περιωρισται αριθμω Place to move in . Why do not All The Stars who are in Heaven make a Like and Equal >>: $<\delta$ ia ti> ou< $\chi><$ antes oi> ontes en ourand poionntai omoion η ison Course ? Who has *Defined The Place* and *The Length* of The Course for Each One ? δρομον; τις ο ορισας τον τροπον και το μεγεθος του δρομου εκαστω

The Bear who *Turns* to Self about Self, and who carries round with Her $4 < \eta > \alpha \rho \kappa \tau \sigma \varsigma$, $<<\eta >> \sigma \tau \rho \epsilon \phi o \mu \epsilon \nu \eta$ αρτη αυτην, και συμπεριφερουσα All The Kosmos, ... Who is that ... The Air ... Who owns this instrument/Organ? παντα τον κοσμον, <... τις σ ; ... σ αηρ ... > τις σ κεκτημενος τουτο το οργανον; Who has Thrown Those Borders Around The Sea? Who has Firmly-Fixed The Earth? τις σ περιβαλων τους ορους τη θαλασση; τις σ εδρασας την γην; For there is Someone, O Tat, who is The Creator and The Master of All of These; for γαρ εστι τις , σ Τατ, σ ποιητης και δεποτης παντων τουτων: γαρ

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it is Impossible that either Place or Number or Measure be Preserved/Watched/Kept
                       τοπον η αριθμον η μετρον
  αδυνατον
                                                            φυλαχθηναι
Separate from The Creating. For All Order is Created, and thus it is only that which is
         του ποιησαντος. γαρ πασα ταξις <ποιητη,
                                                      δε
out of place and out of measure that is un-created. Whereas not even this self is without-
  ατοπια και
                  αμετρια
                                   αποιητος .
                                                 αλλ' ουκ ουδε αυτη
a-master, O Son; and since there is something that is in disorder, which is in need
-δεσποτος, ω τεκνον: και γαρ εστιν
                                                    ατακτον, στε εστι [ενδεες
                                     τι
of being possessed/contained/controlled/held/mastered by The Way of This Order,
                          κατεγει
                                                τον τροπον τουτο της ταξεως]
and since it is under the mastership of no-order, Logos has not yet Imposed Order for Self.
και<γαρ εστι υπο τον δεσποτην η αταξια>, τον μηδεπω ταξαντα την ταξιν αυτη.
          If only it were possible for Thee to grow wings, and to soar into The Air!
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                                   σοι γενομενω πτηνω αναπτηναι εις τον αερα,
                   ην δυνατον
                Being Placed/Fixed Between The Earth and Heaven to See
                 αρθεντα
                                         [της] γης και ουρανου ιδειν
                                 μεσον
                           on the one hand, The Solid Earth,
                                        το στερεον γης,
                             μεν
                        and on the other hand, The Fluid Sea,
                                      το κεχυμένον θαλασσης
                   and even furthermore The Flowing Currents of Rivers,
                                             ρευματα
                                                        ποταμων,
                                  The Wandering Air,
                               το ανειμενον αερος
                        The Sharp-Pointedness/Quickness of Fire,
                                       οξυτητα
                          την
                                                       πυρος,
                            The -Singular - Course of Stars,
                                        δρομον αστρων,
                                τον
     and The Swiftness of The Turning-round-and-round About The Selves of Heaven.
                                    περιβασεως
      την ταχυτητα της
                                                     περι
                                                            ταυτα
                                                                      ουρανου.
     According to which, Most-Fortunate, Vision of That, Son, to See All The Selves
                                       θεας εκεινης, τεκνον, ιδοντα παντα ταυτα
                     , ευτυχεστατης ,
                    being borne along by One Impulse, Contemplating
                   <φερομενα> υπο μιαν ροπην
                                                    θεασασθαι
                   The Un-Moved, Moving through Those that Move,
                τον ακινητον κινουμενον δια
                                                 <των κινητων>,
          and The In-Visible being made Visible through Those which He Makes!
                            φαινομενον
      και τον αφανη
                                              δι'
                                                        ων
                                                                  ποιει .
       Self is The Order of The Kosmos, and This is The Adornment of The Order
            η ταξις
                      του κοσμου
                                    [και ουτος
                                                   ο κοσμος
                                                                 της ταξεως ].
But if Thou also wishes to Contemplate Self through mortal creatures, those upon
                                                    των θνητων
                        θεασασθαι <αυτον> δια
  ٤1
         και θελεις
                                                                   των επι
The Earth and those in The Deep ... Intellect, O Son, the human-being being-formed
          και των εν βυθω, ... νοησον, ω τεκνον, τον ανθρωπον δημιουργουμενον
    γης
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in the womb; and by Examining-well in a precise way The Artisanship of The Art, εν τη γαστρι, και εξετασον ακριβως του δημιουργηματος την τεχνην, also Learn Who The Artisan is that Fashions This Beautiful and Divine Image of The δημιουργων ταυτην την καλην και θειαν εικονα [του Human-Being . Who it is that Circumscribed Those Eyes ? Who it is that has piercedανθρωπου]. τις ο περιγραψας τους οφθαλμους; -through the nostrils and the ears? **Who** it is that has laid-open the mouth? -πησας τας ρινας και τα ωτα; τις διανοιξας το στομα; Who it is that has-stretched-out the sinews and bound them fast? Who it is that has τις εκτεινας τα νευρα και δεσμευσας ; τις channeled the veins? Who is it that has hardened the bones? Who it is that has thrown ογετευσας τας φλεβας; τις ο στερροποιησας τα οστεα; the skin over the flesh? Who is it that has separated those fingers? Who it is that διελων τους δακτυλους; τις <το> δερμα -βαλων τη σαρκι; τις o has widened the base for the feet? Who is it that has bored those ducts? Who it is that πλατυνας <την>βασιν τοις ποσι; τις 0 διορυξας τους πορους ; [[τις has stretched the spleen? Who it is that has made the heart into the shape of a cone, and εκτεινας τον σπληνα ;]] τις ποιησας την καρδιαν πυραμοειδη , <και> 0 joined the sinews to self? Who it is that widened the liver? Who it is that hollowed-out συνθεις τα νευρα <αυτη>; τις ο πλατυνας το ηπαρ; τις ο συραγγωσας the cavity of the lungs? Who it is that made the abdomen capacious? Who is it that has ο ποιησας την κοιλιαν ευρυχωρον; τις τον πνευμονα ; τις formed the most honorable parts to be seen, and concealed the parts that are unseemly? εκτυπωσας τα τιμιωτατα εις το φανερον, και κρυψας τα αισγρα

See how many Arts for One Mass , and how many Works of Art are Enclosed 1 ίδε ποσαι τεχναι μιας υλης , και ποσα εργα within One Compass ; and All are Very-Beautiful , All Made-to-Measure , yet All are <εν> μια περιγραφη : και παντα περικαλλη , και παντα μεμετρημενα , δε παντα εν Different . Who has Made All these ? What Mother , What Father , if not The διαφορα . τις εποιησε παντα ταυτα ; ποια μητηρ , ποιος πατηρ , ει μη ο Invisible God , Who has Fashioned All by The Will of Himself ? αφανης θεος , <ο> δημιουργησας παντα τω θεληματι εαυτου ;

And on the one hand , no one says that a statue or a portrait has come to be 8 kai men oudeic first andrianta h eikona gegoneral without a sculptor or a rainter; whereas such a work as this has come to be without an corresponding andriantopolou h zwrrafolou; deto dimensional the irreverence of the many , O the senseless-dimensional three contents of the many , O the irreverence of the many , O the senseless-dimensional three contents of the many . Never , O Son Tat , derive the fabrications of their -sung the polyal three contents of their , aposterish that such a name as God implies . He is Superior to anything that such a name as God implies . Shimourfour deep kalpin kreittwy tosoutos osos onomatos beon kata .]

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For who else is The Father of All? Surely Only This Very One? And
          <γαρ τις αλλος> εστιν ο πατηρ παντων ; η μονος
                                                               ουτος
This Work is for Self; That which The Father Is. But what if you also force me
τουτο το εργον εστι αυτω , <το>
                                 πατερα ειναι. δε τι ει αναγκηζεις με
to speak more-boldly, then I will say of this that The Ousia is That which Moves and
ειπειν τολμηροτερον,
                                   τουτου
                                             <η>> ουσια εστιν το
Makes All; and just as it is impossible for anything to come to be without a Maker,
ποιειν παντα : και ωσπερ εστι αδυνατον
                                          τι
                                                   γενεσθαι χωρις του ποιουντος,
so also it must be that This Maker does not exist, if He is not Always Making All;
ουτω και
                      τουτον
                                   μη ειναι
                                             , ει
                                                     μη
                                                             αει ποιουντα παντα,
in Heaven, in Air, in Earth in The Deep, in Every part of The Kosmos, in All
εν ουρανω, εν αερα, εν γη, εν
                                 buhw , en panti <merei> tou kosmou , en panti
that Truly Is (Hypotheses 2-3) and in All that is not Truly (Hypotheses 4-9 Parmenides)
   τω οντι
                                και
                                          τω μη οντι
of The All. For there is nothing in All that which is not Self; for Self is both
[του παντος] .γαρ εστιν ουδεν εν παντι εκεινώ ο εστιν ουκ αυτος .γαρ αυτος εστιν και
The Beings and the non-Beings; on the one hand, Self has made The Beings Visible,
  τα οντα και τα μη οντα :
                                                    εφαν-
                                                               τα οντα
                                      μεν
whereas on the other hand, Self Contains the non-Beings in Itself.
          δε
                                         τα μη οντα εν εαυτω.
                              εχει
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This Very God is *Greater* than a name. This Very One is Invisible, ο ουτος θεου κρειττων ονοματος . ο ουτος 10A αφανης, This Very One is Most-Visible. This Very One is Seen by The Intellect, This Very θεωρητος τω ο ουτος ο ουτος φανερωτατος . voi , One is visible to the eyes. This Very One is body-less, This Very One is many-bodies, ορατος τοις οφθαλμοις. ο ουτος ασωματος, ο (ουτος) πολυσωματος, or rather *All* bodies. There is nothing which is not **This Very Self**; for **All** δε μαλλον παντος σωματος . εστιν ουδεν ο εστιν ουκ [[ουτος]] which exist are also This Very One. And because of this, Self Contains All names, <α> εστι εστι και ουτος . και δια τουτο αυτος εχει απαντα ονοματα, since All the names of Self are of One Father; and because of this, Self Has no name, αυτου> εστι ενος πατρος: και δια τουτο αυτος εχει ουκ ονομα, οτι <παντα since Self is The Father of All. οτι εστι πατηρ παντων.

Therefore, who has the ability to Eulogize Thee 10B δυναιτο ευλογησαι σε τις or on behalf of / for the sake of Thee, or in relation/regards/respect to Thee? υπερ σου η προς σε; And *Where* then, shall I look when I **Eulogize Thee**? και που δε βλεπων ευλογησω Upward, downward, inward, outward? For Thou Are *The Place* of *All The Beings*; κατω , εσω , εξω ; γαρ συ <0> τοπος <<των οντων>> : for there is no other place nor any other real being beside Thee, since All are In Thee.

εστιν ου αλλος τοπος [ουδε] [[ουδεν αλλο]] [[των οντων]] παρα σε , δε παντα εν σοι .

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... and All are From Thee; Giving All and Receiving nothing; for Thou Contains All,
<...> παντα απο σου: διδως παντα, και λαμβανεις ουδεν: γαρ
                                                                εχεις παντα,
and there is nothing which Thou does not Contain.
και
           ουδεν
                                ουκ
                                      εχεις.
    And thus, for the sake of what shall I Praise Thee? For the sake of Those which
                     υπερ τινος
                                   υμνησω <σε>;
                                                          υπερ
Thou has made, or for those which Thou has not made? For those which Thou has
                                  ουκ εποιησας ; υπερ
   εποιησας
             , η υπερ
                        ων
                                                           ων
made visible, or for those which Thou has Hidden? And then Why shall I Praise Thee?
                                           ; και δε δια τι υμνησω
 -ερωσας , η υπερ
                                 εκρυψας
                      ων
by Being of Myself? By having something personal/private? By being other/different?
ως ων εμαυτου; ως εχων
                                           ιδιον
                               τι
                                                   ; ως ων
For Thou Are whatsoever I am; Thou Are whatsoever I do, Thou Are whatsoever
γαρ συ ει
               ο αν
                        ω
                           , συ ει
                                         ο αν
                                                 ποιω, συ
I say. For Thou Are All, and there is nothing else which are not Thou. Thou Are All
λεγω. γαρ συ ειπαντα, και εστιν ουδεν αλλο
                                                ο ει μη συ.
                                                                   συ ει παν
that have come to Be, and Thou Are All that have not come to Be.
   το γενομενον,
                                       το μη γενομενον.
                         συ
                    On the one hand, Thou Are Intellect, Intellecting
                                            νους , νοουμενος:
                                     <ει>
               whereas on the other hand, Thou Are Father, Fabricating;
                       δε πατηρ δημιουργων:
                       Furthermore, Thou Are God, Energizing;
                                          θεος
                                                 ενεργων:
                         and Thou Are Good, by Making All.
                                  αγαθος, ποιων παντα.
                     [και]
         For on the one hand, Matter is Composed of the smallest particles of Air,
                                         το λεπτομεσεστερον
     [γαρ
                          υλης
                                                                   αηρ,
                       whereas on the other hand Air of The Soul,
                                           αερος ψυχη,
                                then Intellect of Soul,
                                  δε νους ψυχης
                                then God of Intellect.
                              δε θεος
                                          νου .]
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6 The Logos of Thrice-Great Hermes του τρισμεγιστου Ερμου.

That The Good Is Solely In The God, but nowhere else. οτι το αγαθον εστιν μονω εν τω θεω, δε ουδαμου αλλαχοθι.

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The Good, O Asklepion, is not in anything if It is not Solely In The God. But
        Το αγαθον, ω Ασκληπιε, εστιν εν ουδενι ει μη
                                                             μονω εν τω θεω. δε
1A
even more to the point, The Good Is Always The God Self. If It Is in this way, then It
                       το αγαθον εστιν αει ο θεος αυτος . ει
      μαλλον
                                                                              , δε
Must Be The Ousia of All Motion and Generation. Thus nothing is bereft of Self
δει ειναι ουσιαν πασης κινησεως και γενεσεως
                                                     δε ουδεν εστιν ερημον αυτην
which Possesses a Static/Motionless Energy About Self; by Being Without-need and
                                  ενεργειαν περι αυτην,
                    στατικην
Without-experience of-existing-in-a-passive-state; by Being Completely Full, and by
     απειρητον
                               παθων
Providing for All Needs; Thus She Is in The Beginning/Cause/Source of All. For when
     χορηγηματων
                       . δε
                                     εν
                                                                    παντων γαρ οταν
                                                    αρχη
it is said that The Provider of All is Good, it also means that It Is Always Good in every way.
  λεγεται το χορηγουν παν αγαθον,
                                               και
                                                           εστι αει αγαθον παντα.
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Therefore **This Good** belongs to nothing else, if not **Solely** to **The God**. For **He** is 1B τουτο προσεστιν ουδενι αλλω ει μη μονω τω θεω . γαρ εστι not in need of anything, in order that Self may not acquire an appetite that may render Self ουτε ενδεης τινος . 1να αυτο κτησασθαι επιθυμησας γενηται defective. Nor can any of The Beings be lost to Self, which loss would make Self suffer, for κακος ; ουτε ουδεν των οντων εστιν αποβλητον αυτω, ο αποβαλων λυπηθησεται : γαρ suffering is a part of vice. Nor is there any Greater than Self, by whom Self could be unjustlyμερος κακιας: ουτε εστιν ουδεν κρειττον αυτου, αδικη--treated as an enemy. There is nothing yoked-together to Self, and through this for Self -θεις πολεμησει : εστιν ουτε συζυγον αυτω, και δια τουτο to be unjustly-incited to be passionate. There is no one who is disobedient, who would αδικηθηναι ερασθησεται : ουτε ανηκοον ω provoke Self to anger. There is no one wiser, who would provoke Self to jealousy. ουτε σοφωτερον, οργισθησεται ζηλωσει

For just as none of these deficiencies belong in The Ousia Such as Self, so also 2A γαρ ωσπερ ουδεν των κακων εν τη ουσια τοιαυτη, ουτως The Good can be found in none of the others? For there are deficiencies in All of the others, το αγαθον ευριθησεται εν ουδενι των αλλων. γαρ εστι κακα εν πασι τοις αλλοις. even in the small and in the great, and in Those like The One Self and in The Living Kosmos, kai en toic mikroic kai en toic meyadoic , kai en toic ka θ ' en aut ω kai en t ω who is Greater and More Powerful than All. For those that are generated are full of suffering, μειζονι και δυνατωτατω παντων. γαρ γενητα πληρη παθων, τα by generation being *the suffering of self*; but wherever there is *suffering*, The Good is never; γενεσεως ουσης της παθητης αυτης. δε οπου παθος, το αγαθον ουδαμου: but Wherever The Good Is, there is not ever one that suffers. For wherever there is Day, ουδε ουδαμου εν παθος. γαρ δε το αγαθον . οπου οπου ημερα,

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there is no Night, but wherever there is Night, there is no Day. From whence it is Impossible ουδαμου νυξ, δε οπου νυξ, ουδαμου ημερα. οθεν αδυνατον for The Good to Be in generation, but only in That which Is Un-generated. το αγαθον ειναι εν γενεσει, δε μονω εν τω αγεννητω.
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Therefore, just as there is The Participation of The Ousia of All (The Ideas...) 2B ωσπερ εστιν μετουσια Provided in The World of Matter, so also is it the case for The Good. This is The Way that , ουτω και του αγαθου. τουτον τον τροπον δεδομενη εν υλη τn The Kosmos is Good, which also Accords to The Way Self Creates All; since It is Good αυτος ποιει παντα, ως ειναι αγαθος ο κοσμος αναθον. καθα και in regard to Its Creative Aspect. Whereas in All the other aspects It is **not Good**; for It is εν πασιν τοις αλλοις του ποιειν μερει . δε ουκ αγαθος : γαρ εστι subject to suffering and motion and It is The Creator of those that to suffer. παθητος και κινητος και ποιητος παθητων

Whereas in the case of the human-being the bad/defective is arranged according to τω ανθρωπω 3A το κακον τετακται κατα the aggregate amount of the good; for in this case that bad/defect which is not excessive του αγαθου : γαρ ενθαδε συγκρασιν το κακον λιαν is counted as the good. Thus *in this case* the good is the smallest portion of *the bad*. Therefore το αγαθον . δε ενθαδε το αγαθον το ελαξιστον μοριον του κακου. in this case the good is incapable of Being Purified of defectiveness/badness. For in this case ενθαδε το αγαθον αδυνατον καθαρευειν της κακιας ενθαδε the good is *maltreated*. For when goodness is *maltreated* it no longer remains, thus when it το αγαθον κακουται . γαρ αγαθον κακουμενον ουκετι μενει : δε does not remain, a bad/defect comes into existence. μειναν, κακον γινεται

Accordingly then , The Good is Solely in The God , or The Good is The God Self . το αγαθον εστιν μονω εν τω θεω η το αγαθον εστιν ο θεος αυτος. 3B Therefore, O Asclepion, there is only the name of the good in the case of human-beings, but , ω Ασκληπιε , μονον το ονομα του αγαθου ανθρωποις, δε ουν εν never Its Actualization, for It is impossible. For the material body gives way/withdraws, by ουδαμου το εργον αδυνατον . γαρ το υλικον σωμα : γαρ being bound fast everywhere by badness such as by toils and sufferings, appetites and passions, εσφιγμενον παντοθεν κακια και , πονοις και αλγηδοσι , και επιθυμιας και οργαις , deceits and foolish opinions. And, O Asclepion, the worst of All, is that each και απαταις και ανοητοις δοχαις . και , ω Ασκληπιε , το κακιστον παντων εστιν οτι εκαστον of these that have just been mentioned, in the case of human-beings, are trusted/relied-on to be προεισημενων ενθαδε εμπεππιστευται ειναι τουτων των 'the greatest good', but are rather an unsurpassable defect. Wandering self gluttony/addiction, το μεγιστον αγαθον, μαλλον το ανυπερβλητον κακον. η πλανη αυτη γαστριμαργια is the chorus leader of All the forms of badness; for in this case it is the absence of The Ousia η χορηγος παντων των κακων ενθαδε εστι η απουσια of The Good. του αγαθου.

And thus I am Grateful to The God, for having Shot into the absence of Ousia in my 4A τω θεω, τω βαλοντι εις καγω δε εχω χαριν απουσιας mind even a taste of The Intuitive-Knowledge of The Good, because it is impossible for περι της γνωσεως του αγαθου, οτι εστιν αδυνατον Self to be in The Kosmos, for The Kosmos is the full complement of defects; but The God αυτο ειναι εν τω κοσμω , γαρ ο κοσμος εστι πληρωμα της κακιας , is The Full Complement of The Good, or The Good is The Full Complement of The God. του αγαθου , η το αγαθον του θεου.

For The Pre-Eminence/Hyparxis/Elevated-Nature of The Beauties that Are About $4B < \ldots > \gamma \alpha \rho$ αι εξογαι των καλων πεοι The Self Ousia Swiftly come to Light in a Way that is More Pure and Most-Simple; and since την αυτην ουσιαν ταχα φαινονται που και καθαρωτεραι και ειλικρινεσταται και Selves Are The Ousias of That God. For one must be bold enough to say, O Asclepion, that εκεινου . γαρ τολμητεον ειπειν, ω Ασκληπιε, οτι αι ουσιαι The Ousia of The God, if indeed God Possesses Ousia, then It Is That which Is Beautiful, η ουσια του θεου , ει γε ουσιαν, εχει εστι το καλον whereas The Beautiful Is also The Good. Whereas none of those within The Kosmos are δε το καλον και το αναθον. δε ουδεν των Illuminated by These. For All those that are subject to the eye are images and, as it were καταλαμπεσθαι υπο τουτων . γαρ παντα τα υποπιπτοντα οφθαλμω εστι ειδωλα , και ωσπερ shadow-paintings; whereas Those that are not subject to the eye, but are especially Subject to σκιαγραφιαι : δε τα μη υποπιπτοντα < . . . > , δε The Ousia of The Beautiful and The Good. And just as the eye cannot see The God, καλου και του αγαθου. και ωσπερ οφθαλμος δυναται ου ιδειν τον θεον, so also, it cannot see The Beautiful and The Good. For These are 'The Parts' of The God, ουτως, ουδε το καλον και το αγαθον. γαρ ταυτα εστιν μερη του θεου. Perfectly-Whole, Intrinsically-Innate of Self Alone, Inherently-Akin, Inseparable, ιδια αυτου μονου, οικεια , αχωριστα , Most-Beloved; which either The God Self Loves or The Selves of The God Love. ερασμιωτατα, ων η ο θεος αυτος ερα η αυτα του θεου ερα.

If Thou are able to Intellect The God, then Thou will Intellect The Beautiful τον θεον, δυνασαι νοησαι νοησεις and The Good; That which Illuminates That which is Illuminated by The God. For That το υπερλαμπομενον υπο του θεου . γαρ εκεινο και το αγαθον, το υπερλαμπρον Beauty is *Incomparable*, and That Good is *Inimitable*, just as The God Self. Therefore, το καλλος ασυυκρίτου, και έκεινο το αυαθού αμιμήτου, ωσπέρ και ο θέος αυτός. Ουν as Thou Intellects The God, so also Thou must Intellect The Beautiful and The Good. For τον θεον , ουτω και νοει το καλον και το αγαθον . γαρ These are un-shared by other living beings, because They Are Inseparable from The God. τοις αλλοις το ειναι αχωριστα ταυτα εστι ακοινωντα δια του θεου. If Thou Seeks-after The God, then Thou also Seeks-after The Beautiful. For there is One εαν ζητης περι του θεου, ζητεις περι του καλου . γαρ εστιν μια και Road Leading-to Self: The Road of Reverence that Participates of Intuitive-Knowledge. οδος αποφερουσα εις αυτο η γνωσεως . ευσεβεια μετα

For which Logos, the ignorant and those that do not Travel The Road of Reverence, 6 οι αγνοουντες , και μη οδευσαντες την οδον της ευσεβειας, dare to speak of a human-being as beautiful and good; not even if in **Dreams**, *this person* has τολμωσι λεγειν ανθρωπον καλον και αγαθον, μηδε ει οναρ seen anything that **Is Good**, since *they* are surrounded by every kind of *defect*; by putting *their* εστιν αγαθον, αλλα περιειλημμενον παντι κακω , 'trust' that the bad is 'good', and in this way it is used insatiably by self, and becomes fearful -σαντα το κακον ειναι αγαθον, και ουτως χρωμενον ακορεστως αυτω, και φοβουμενον of being robbed of *self*, thus *he* struggles for everything in order not only to have *it*, but also στερηθηναι αυτου, δε αγωνιζομενον παντα ινα μη μονον εχη , αλλα και to increase it. Such are 'the good' and 'the beautiful' for human-kind, O Asclepion, which επαυξη . τοιαυτα τα αγαθα και ανθρωπεια , ω Ασκληπιε , α τα καλα For the most-difficult of all, is that we have need/use we are unable to escape nor hate. ουτε δυναμεθα φυγειν ουτε μισησαι : γαρ το χαλεπωτατον παντων οτι εχομεν χρειαν of themselves, and we cannot live apart from these.

αυτων , και ου δυναμεθα ζην χωρις τουτων .

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7 The Logos of Thrice-Great Hermes

του τρισμεγιστου Ερμου

That the ignorance in regards to The God is the greatest defect in human-beings. ot η and η and η and η be the ignorance in regards to the greatest defect in human-beings.

Where, O human-beings, are you being carried-away, by being drunk, 1**A** Ποι , ω ανθρωποι φερεσθε μεθυοντες . having drunk-out of the un-mixed logos of ignorance? Which self is already vomiting, and τον ακρατον λογον της αγνωσιας; ον αυτον ηδη εκπιοντες since self is unable to bear it. Make a Stand by being Sober, by Looking Up with The Eyes , αναβλεψαντες τοις οφθαλμοις αλλ' ουδε δυνασθε φερειν. νηψαντες στητε of The Heart! And if not All are Able, then Those who are indeed Able. της καρδιας, και ει μη παντες δυνασθε, και γε δυναμενοι. For the defective-inability of ignorance *floods* The Whole Earth, 1**B** της αγνωσιας επικλυζει την πασαν γην, γαρ η κακια and completely-destroys the soul that *flows-together* in the body, which does not allow her και κατακεκλεισμενην την ψυχην συσσυρει εν τω σωματι, εωσα μη to be brought to her Safe Harbors.

ενορμισασθαι της τοις σωτηριας λιμεσι.

Therefore do not be carried away by *the strong current*; but make use τοιγαρουν μη συγκατενεχθητε τω πολλω ρευματι : δε χρησαμενοι 2A of the back-flowing tide; those who are able to reach The Safety of The Harbor, bring οι δυναμενοι λαβεσθαι της σωτεριας του λιμενος, εναναρροια yourselves to This, seek The One who will Guide you by the hand, to The Gates of The -ορμισαμενοι τουτω, ζητησατε τον οδηγησοντα υμας χειραγωγον, επι τας θυρας της Intuitive-Knowledge, Where The Bright Light Is Shining, Where It Is Free of Darkness; εστι λαμπρον, το καθαρον σκοτους: , οπου το φως Where no one gets drunk, since All are Sober/Sound-of-Mind, All those who Look-Away οπου ουδε εις μεθυει , αλλα παντες νηφουσιν αφορωντες with The Heart towards The One Who Wishes to be Seen In This Way. For He Is not θελοντα οραθηναι ουτως : γαρ εστιν ου τη καρδια τον Audible, nor Effable, nor Visible to the eyes, except to Intellect and to Heart. ακουστος, ουδε λεκτος, ουδε ορατος οφθαλμοις, αλλα νω Therefore, Thou must first strip off the garment which Thou wears; 2B σε δει πρωτον περιρρηξασθαι χιτωνα ον the web of ignorance, the fabric of vice, the knot of destruction, το υφασμα της αγνωσιας , το στηριγμα της κακιας , τον δεσμον της φθορας , the belt/girdle of darkness, the living mortality, the sentient corpse, τον περιβολον σκοτείνον, τον ζωντα θανατον, τον αισθητικον νέκρον, the portable tomb, the thief in Thine Home, τον περιφορητον ταφον, τον ληστην ενοικον,

the enemy who hates through that which Thou Long-for

and the enemy who bears malice through that which Thou Sets-Your-Heart.

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Such as this is the hateful garment which Thou wears, bending Thee down to self,
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      τοιουτος εστιν εχθρον χιτωνα
                                       ον
                                              ενεδυσω, αγκων σε κατω προς αυτον,
           in order that you may not Look-up and See The Beauty of The Truth,
              ινα
                     μη αναβλεψας και θεασαμενος το καλλος της αληθειας,
                            and The Good that Abides There,
                            και το αγαθον
                                              μενον
                                                       εκει,
                (and by so doing) Thou hate the viciousness of this garment,
                                                               τουτου ,
                                  μισησης
                                              την κακιαν
                  by Self Intellecting the snares which it sets against Thee,
                         νοησας επεβουλευσι ην την επιβουλην σοι,
                       by rendering the current opinions of the senses
                                      τα δοκουντα
                                                     αισθητηρια
                        -which are also not taken into consideration-
                                              νομιζομενα
                              και
                                      μη
                                       senseless:
                                       αναισθητα,
                      by blocking/impeding selves with much matter,
                                           αυτα τη πολλη υλη,
                            αποφραξας
                        and by filling selves with polluted pleasure,
                        και εμπλησας
                                               μυσαρας ηδονης,
           in order that Thou may not Hear concerning That which is being Said,
                         σε δει μητε ακουείν περί
                                                                  ακουσας,
         and in order that Thou may not See concerning That which Thou must See .
                              μητε βληπης
                                                                 σε δει βλεπειν .
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8 The Logos of Thrice-Great Hermes του τρισμεγιστου Ερμου.

Hermes: Concerning soul and body, O Son, we must now speak; on the one hand, 1A Περι ψυχης και σωματος, ω παι, νυν λεκτεον, μεν in what way the soul is Immortal, and on the other hand, what is The Activity that Forms ποιω τροπω η ψυχη αθανατος, δε ποταπη εστι ενεργεια συστασεως and Dissolves the body. και διαλυσεως <... > σωματος.

For death has nothing to do with Themselves; since death is an ordinary αυτων : αλλα θανατου εστιν η προσηγοριας 1**B** γαρ ο θανατος ουδεν περι name which is empty of **Energy**. Either death/mortality is spoken by being deprived of Its κενον εργου . θανατος λεγομενος κατα στερησιν η First Syllable, instead of 'Im-mortal'. For mortality is *a kind of* de-struction, whereas *nothing* πρωτού γραμματός αντι αθανατός. γαρ ο θανατός εστιν απωλειας, in The Kosmos is utterly-destroyed. For if The Kosmos Is The Second God, and Is also An απολλυται . γαρ ει ο κοσμος δευτερος θεος , τω κοσμω Immortal Living-Being, it Is Impossible for any part of That which Is Immortal to die. ζωον , εστι αδυνατον τι μερος του αθανατου αποθανειν: But Everything that Is in The Kosmos Is a part of The Kosmos . But especially The Human τα εν τω κοσμω εστι μερη του κοσμου. δε μαλιστα ο ανθρωπος Living-Being The One who is Formed/Possessed by The Logos. ζωον λογικον το

For The First God of All, Is Truly and Eternally Unbegotten, and Is The πρωτος παντων, οντως και αιδιος αγεννητος, και Creator God of The Wholes; whereas The Second God came to Be According to The Image δημιουργος θεος των ολων: δε δευτερος γενομενος κατ' of Self by Self, and by Self It Collapses-together and Rears/Nourishes, by Being Ever-Alive; αυτου υπ' αυτου , και υπ' αυτου συνεχομενος και τρεφομένος , ων as if It were An Immortal Ever-Living Being by The Eternal Being of The Father. For αθανατιζομενος αειζωον υπο αιδιου οντος του πατρος . γαρ That which is Ever-Living is Different from That which Is Eternal. For on the one hand, αειζωον διαφερει του αιδιου . γαρ The Father was not begotten by another; and so, if He were begotten, then He would be ουκ εγένετο υπο έτερου: και ει εγενετο begotten by Himself: but on the other hand, more to the point, He was never begotten, since μαλλον υφ' εαυτου: ουποτε εγενετο δε , αλλ'

He Always Is; whereas The Kosmos Always comes into existence. For The Cause of the αει εστιν : δε ο Κοσμος αει γινεται . γαρ το αιτιον Perpetual existence of The All is The Father; whereas The Paternal Self is The Cause το παν εστι ο πατηρ : δε πατηρ αυτος ειναι o of Himself. Therefore The Kosmos came to Be Immortal by The Paternal Eternal Being. γεγονε αθανατος υπο του πατρος αιδιου οντος. εαυτου . δε ο κοσμος

And as much of the (Bare) matter as there was, It was subject to The Will 3 της υλης υποκειμενον τω θεληματι και οσον ην of Himself, The Father made the all into A Body and He Reared It up and He made Self το παν σωματοποιησας και εαυτου , ο πατηρ ογκωσας και εποιησε αυτην In The Ideal-Form of A Sphere, by Placing This Quality About Self, and also by Self σφαιροειδες περι- τουτο το ποιον -θεις αυτω Being Immortal, and by Possessing Perpetual materiality. Then moreover, when He had την αιδιον υλοτητα. δε ουσαν αθανατον, και εχουσαν πλεον , Sown/Implanted The Qualities of The Living-Beings within This Sphere *just as if* they were -σπειρας τα ποια ζωων τη σφαιρα ωσπερ των enclosed in a Cave, for He wished to Adorn that which was beside Self without any Qualities κατεκλεισε εν αντρω, βουλομενος κοσμησαι το μετ' αυτου with Every Kind of Quality. Thus He Enveloped The Whole Body with Immortality, in order ποιοτητι. δε περιβαλε το παν σωμα τη αθανασια , παση that Its matter, would not wish to separate from This Composition of The Body, and in this way η υλη , μη θελησασα αποστηναι τουτου συστασεως της dissolve into the disorder of itself. For when the matter was bodiless, O Son, it was order-less; διαλυθη εις την αταξιαν εαυτης. γαρ στε η υλη ην ασωματος, ω τεκνον, ην ατακτος: and thus in this place matter retains something of that disorder which hinders the other small ενταυθη περι ατακτον ειλουμενον τα αλλα μικρα εχει τι. living natures; for The Process of increase and decrease is That which human-beings call ζωα ποια, της αυξησεως και της μειωσεως το ον οι ανθρωποι καλουσιν το 'death'. θανατον.

Thus the living-beings about The Earth come to be about this disorder. For τα ζωα επιγεια γινεται περι η αυτη αταξια. γαρ The Heavenly Bodies Possess One Order, which was Allotted from The Father of The Source. τα των ουρανιων σωματα εχει μιαν ταξιν, ην ειληγεν απο του πατρος την αρχην: Therefore This Indissoluble Self Order is Constantly-Guarded/Maintained/Preserved by The 36 αδιαλυτος αυτη τηρειται υπο της Periodic-Cyclic-Restoration of Each Body. Whereas The Restoration of the earthly bodies η αποκαταστασις των επιγειων σωματων αποκαταστασεως εκαστου . δε is brought to Completion by the dissolution of their composition; and thus by this dissolution διαλυθειης της συστασεως : δε ταυτη τη διαλυσει they are Restored into The Bodies which are Indissoluble, for These Are The Immortal Ones. αποκαθισταται εις τα σωματα αδιαλυτα , τουτεστι τα αθανατα :

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And in this way there comes to be a deprivation of the senses, but the life of the bodies is not
                                στερησις της αισθησεως,
                                                            ζωης των σωματων ουκ
    ουτω
                    γινεται
utterly-destroyed.
   απωλεια
              Then The Third Living-being, The Human-being, was Produced According to
                   το τριτον
                               ζωον
                                            ο ανθρωπος ,
                                                             γενομενος
The Likeness/Image of The Kosmos, by Possessing Mind According to The Will of The Father
     εικονα
                    του κοσμου,
                                      εχων
                                               νουν
                                                         κατα
                                                                  βουλησιν του πατρος
besides the other living beings upon The Earth, not only by having Sympathy in relation to
παρα τα αλλα
                   ζωα
                               επιγεια
                                          , ου μονον εχων συμπαθειαν
The Second God, but also by having A Conception of The First God. For on the one hand,
τον δευτερον θεον, αλλα και
                                    εννοιαν
                                                   του πρωτου . γαρ
human-beings Perceive The Second God as A Body, whereas on the other hand, human-beings
      αισθανεται
                                    ως σωματος,
                           του
Grasp The First God by A Conception as Incorporeal Intellect that is also of The Good.
                        εννοιαν
                                   ως ασωματου
λαμβανει του
                                                    νου
                                                              και
                                                                    του αγαθου.
Tat: Therefore, is This Living-being, That which does not utterly-perish?
                  Τουτο ζωον
                                                      απολλυται;
                                     το
                                               ουκ
Hermes: Speak Words of Good Omen (Sym 201E), O Son, and Intellect 'What is God',
                                             , ω τεκνον , και νοησον
               ευφημησον
              'What is The Kosmos', 'What is an Immortal Living-Being',
                                                αθανατον
                                        τι.
                    ' What is a dissolvable Living-being .' (Rep 523D)
                                     διαλυτον
                                                 ζωον.
                              τ1.
                                  And on the one hand,
                                           μεν
              Intellect that The Kosmos is made by The God and in The God,
              νοησον οτι
                            ο κοσμος
                                          υπο
                                                 του θεου και εν τω θεω,
                               whereas on the other hand,
                                          δε
         Intellect that the human-being is made by The Kosmos and in The Kosmos.
                          ανθρωπος
                                       υπο
                                               του κοσμου και εν
 Thus The God is The Cause/Source and The Circumference and The Constitution of All.
  δε
       ο θεος
                                   και
                                             περιοχη
                                                           και
                                                                   συστασις παντων.
                      αρχη
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9 The Logos of Thrice Great Hermes

του τρισμεγιστου Ερμου.

Concerning Intellection and Perception

περι νοησεως και αισθησεως

[And that The Beautiful and The Good is Only In The God;

kai oti to kalov kai to agabon estin monw en tw $\theta\epsilon\omega$,

Elsewhere but Nowhere].

αλλαχοθι δε ουδαμου].

Yesterday , O Asclepion , I delivered **The Final Logos** ; whereas now , I am 1A $X\theta\epsilon\zeta$, ω Ασκληπιε , αποδεδωκα τον τελειον λογον : δε νυν η-led to consider that it is necessary to follow **That Logos** and unfold in detail **The Logos** -γουμαι αναγκαιον ακολουθον εκεινω και διεξελθειν τον λογον concerning **Perception** .

περι αισθησεως.

For on the one hand, Perception and Intellection appear to possess Difference, αισθησις και νοησις δοκουσιν εχειν διαφοραν, 1B since the one is material, while the other is in The Way of Ousia. Whereas on the other οτι η μεν εστιν υλικη, η δε ουσιωδης hand, to me, they both appear to be **Unified** and **not** divided; I mean in human-beings; εμοι αμφοτεραι δοκουσιν ηνωσθαι και μη διαιρεισθαι, λεγω εν ανθρωποις: for Perception is Unified with Nature in the other living-beings, whereas That which γαρ η αισθησις ηνωται τη φυσει εν τοις αλλοις ζωοις , τη **Intellects** is in human-beings. νοησει εν ανθρωποις.

Thus The Intellect differs as much from Intellection as The God differs from 1C νους διαφερει τοσουτον νοησεως οσον ο θεος Divinity. For on the one hand, The Divinity comes to be by The God, whereas on the θειοτητος . γαρ η θειοτης γινεται υπο του θεου, μεν other hand, The Intellection, by Being Akin to The Logos, by The Intellect. And ουσα αδελφα του λογου, υπο του νου These are Instruments/Organs of Each-other, for The Logos is not separate from αλληλων : γαρ ο λογος ουτε οργανα ταυτα **Intellection**, nor does The Intellection come to Light separate from Logos. νοησεως, ουτε η νοησις φαινεται χωρις λογου.

Therefore **Perception** and **Intellection** both **Flow-together** with **Each-other**, 2 oun haishhois kai hnnnis amfoterai sunepeiden all proposed all proposed all proposed and proposed all proposed and proposed and

is possible to **Intellect** apart from **Perception**, just as in the way the objects of fantasy νοεισθαι χωρις αισθησεως, καθαπερ δια ορματα φανταζοappear to those who dream . For it appears to me that The coming to Be both these ονειρων : γαρ δοκει εμοι το γεγονεναι αμφοτερας τας Energies/Activities have taken place in the vision of the dreamers, for when we are ενεργειας <...> εν τη οψει των ονειρων : γαρ awake Intellection is always found with Perception . For Perception is partly divided in -γουουσι <...> αισθησει . γαρ η αισθησις διηρηται εις both the body and in the soul; and when both the parts of Perception are in Symphony τε το σωμα και εις την ψυχην : και οταν αμφοτερα τα μερη της αισθησεως συμφωνηση in relation to each other, at that time it results that Intellection comes to Light, αλληλα , τοτε συμβαινει την νοησιν εκφαινεισθαι, by Being The Offspring of The Intellect. υπο

αποκυηθεισαν του νου.

For The Intellect Impregnates/Implants All thoughts, Good ones on the one hand, κυει παντα τα νοηματα, γαρ ο νους αγαθα when one receives The Seeds from **The God**, but the opposite ones on the other hand, λαβη τα σπερματα υπο του θεου, εναντια when one receives the seeds from a certain one of the spirits (Sym 203) -there being no υπο τινος των δαιμονιων , οντος μηδενος part of The Kosmos that is empty of Spirit- which enters into one that has *not* been μερους του κοσμος οντος κενου δαιμονος, οστις υπεισελθων Illuminated by The Spirit of The God, by implanting the seed of its special/individual πεφωτισμενω υπο δαιμονι του θεου εσπειρε το σπερμα της energies, and The Intellect begets the sowing, of adultery, murder, patricide, sacrilege, ενεργειας, και ο νους εκυσεν το σπαρεν, μοιχειας, φονους, πατροτυπιας, ιεροσυλιας, irreverence, strangling, suicide from a cliff, and *all* other such-like spiritual works. ασεβειας , αγχονας , καταφορας κατα κρημνων , και παντα αλλα οσα δαιμονων εργα .

For The Seeds of The God are Few, thus on the one hand, They are Great and 4Α γαρ τα σπερματα του θεου ολιγα , μεν Beautiful and Good; such as Virtue and Soundmindedness and Reverence. Thus on the καλα και αγαθα, αρετη και σωφροσυνη και ευσεβεια. other hand, Reverence Is Intuitive-Knowledge of God; which The Insight, that comes θ eou : ov $0 \epsilon \pi$ ignous, ευσεβεια εστι γνωσις to Be Full of All of The Goods, by Being Endowed with Those Divine Intellections; -μενος πληρης παντων των αγαθων, ισχει τας θειας νοησεις, and are *not Like* those thoughts belonging to the multitude. και ου ομοιας τοις πολλοις

Because of this, Those who Abide in Intuitive-Knowledge are not pleasing to the 4B οντες γνωσει ουτε αρεσκουσιν τοις Οl εν multitude, nor are the multitude pleasing to Selves. Thus They appear to be mad, and to πολλοις , ουτε οι πολλοι αυτοις : δε δοκουσι μεμηναι , και

have become liable to ridicule; They are hated and despised, and are perhaps somehow γελωτα , μισουμενοι τε και καταφρονουμενοι , και ταχα που οφλισκανουσι also liable to be put to death. For it is said that the defective, must necessarily live in this φονευομενοι . γαρ ειπον την κακιαν δειν οικειν ενθαplace, by being in the place of itself (Theatetus 177A). For the place of self is The ουσαν εν τω χωριω εαυτης : γαρ χωριον αυτης Earth, not The Kosmos, as some keep blasphemously saying. However, The One γη , ουχ ο κοσμος , ως ενιοι ποτε βλασφημουντες ερουσι . μεντοι , who is Reverent to God will Withstand Everything by The Endurance of Intuitiveθεοσεβης υποστησει παντα της αντισχομενος(αντεχω) γνω-Knowledge. For to such a person Everything, even those that are bad for others, are παντα , καν τοις -σεως . γαρ τω τοιουτω η κακα αλλοις, εστι Good. And when difficulties are set against Such a Person they are all borne in The επιβουλευομενος αγαθα: και παντα αναφερει εις Light of The Intuitive-Knowledge; and They Alone make-Good the bad (Sym 219-220). γνωσιν , και μονος αγαθοποιει τα κακα.

I will return again to The Logos of Perception. Therefore, The Commonality επανειμι παλιν επι τον λογον της αισθησεως. of Perception to Intellection is human; whereas as it was said before, *not* every human αισθησιν νοησει ανθρωπινον: δε προειπον , ου πας ανθρωως being will take-Advantage of The Intellection, for one kind of person is concerned with απολαυει της νοησεως : αλλ' $-\pi o c$ the material, whereas another kind of person is concerned with The Way of Ousia. For ο δε ουσιωδης as it was said, the one intellects along-with defectiveness, by holding-fast to the seed , ο μεν νοει μετα κακιας ισχων of the intellection from the spirits; while The Other, Intellects along-with The Good, της νοησεως απο των δαιμονων, οι δε μετα του αγαθου, by Being Preserved by The God . For on the one hand , by The God Being The Creator σωζομενοι υπο του θεου. γαρ μεν ο θεος ων δημιουργος of All, on the one hand, He Creates All Like Himself; whereas on the other hand, even παντων, ποιει παντα ομοια εαυτω, if these came to Be Good, they are barren in the use of their energies: for The Kosmic ταυτα γενομενα αγαθα, εν τη χρισει της ενεργειας : γαρ η κοσμικη αφορα Fertility, produces by turning-out the different kinds of generations, damaging some, τρεπουσα, τας γενεσεις, ρυπαινουσα τας μεν φορα, ποιας by the defective, while purifying others, by The Good (Republic Book 8 546A). τη κακια , καθαιρουσα τας δε τω αγαθω.

For The Kosmos , O Asclepion , also Possesses Its Own Distinct Perception and 6 hardon one kosmos , we Asklypie , kai exel idian alsohosin kai Intellection , not like the human kind , not manifold , but Superior and More-Simple . not not in an analysis our operation of the continuous that α is a continuous transformation of the continuous transformation of t

For The Perception and Intellection of The Kosmos are One, by being an Instrument γαρ η αισθησις και νοησις του κοσμου εστι μια, οντα of The Will of The God to Create and to Un-create All to Himself. And actually This της βουλησεως του θεου το ποιειν και αποποιειν παντα εις εαυτον . και οντως **Kosmic Instrument** was made for this purpose; in order that by receiving from ποιηθεντα επι τουτο λαβων The God All the seeds for Itself, It may also Guard/Preserve All the seeds in Itself του θεου παντων τα σπερματα παρ' εαυτω και φυλαττων παντα εν εαυτω so that It may bring into existence All the seeds in an Energetic/Active/Actual Way. Thus παντα ενεργως by Bearing/Carrying All Life-It-Creates; The Kosmos both Dissolves and Renews All φερομενος παντα ζωοποιει και διαλυων , και ανανεοι παντα through this Solution and Dissolution; just as the good farmer, It Enables the sowing , ωσπερ αγαθος γεωργος παρεχων τη καταβολη δια τουτο τα λυθεντα by Bearing The Renewal for Selves. There is *nothing* which It does not Give-Life. φερομένος ανανέωσιν αυτοίς . εστίν ουκ ζωογονει: And It is At-Once The Place and The Creator of Life. και εστι ομου τοπος και δημιουργος ζωης.

Whereas the bodies from matter, exist in **Difference**. Some are from **Earth**, while 7 τα σωματα απο υλης , διαφορα : τα μεν εστιν εκ γης , τα εν others are from Water, and others from Air, and others from Fire; whereas All are υδατος, τα δε εξ αερος, τα δε εκ πυρος: δε παντα εστι Composite, and thus some are more-complex, while others are more-simple; and so μαλλον συνθετα . και τα μεν τα δε απλουστερα : on the one hand, the more complex are heavier, while on the other hand, the less τα μαλλον βαρυτερα, δε τα ηττον **complex** are **lighter**. Thus **the swiftness/the swiftness** of the fertility of self performs της φορας αυτου εργαζεται κουφοτερα. δε το ταχος the manifold kinds of the generations. For the breath, by being constant, out-stretches/ την ποικιλιαν ποιων των γενεσεων . γαρ πνοη , ουσα πυκνοτατη , offers the kinds/types to the bodies along with the fullness/abundance of Life. -τεινει τα ποια τοις σωμασι μετα πληρωματος της ζωης.

Thus on the one hand, The God is The Father of The Kosmos, whereas on the 8 πατηρ μεν ο θεος του κοσμου, other hand, The Kosmos is The Father of those within The Kosmos, and since on the τω κοσμω : ο κοσμος των one hand The Kosmos is The Son of The God, while on the other hand, those within ο κοσμος υιος του θεου, δε The Kosmos are children from The Kosmos. And It has been Reasonably-Named υπο του κοσμου. και κε-Good Order/Adornment . For Everything is Ordered/Arranged/Adorned by the : γαρ τα παντα κοσμος κοσμειται Diversity of the generations, and by the incessant-continuance of The Life, and by the γενεσεως , και τω αδιαλειπτω της ζωης, και τω ποικιλια της

un-weariness of The Energy, and by the swiftness of The Fertility, and by the της ενεργειας, και τω ακοπιαστω ταχει της φορας , και τω immutability of The Necessity, and by the combination of The Elements, and by the ατρεπτω αναγκης, και τη συστασει των στοιχειων, και τω της Ordering of those that come into existence. Therefore The Self Kosmos will be named γινομενων ο αυτος κοσμος ταξει ουν καλοιτο both In a Necessary Way and In Its Own Distinct Way. και αναγκαιως και οικειως Therefore The Perception and Intellection of All The Living-beings enters in η αισθησις και νοησις παντων των ζωων επεισερχεται from An External Source, breathing in on the one hand from That which Surrounds, , εισπνεουσα απο περιεχοντος: whereas on the other hand, The Kosmos Receives Simultaneously At-Once That which κοσμος λαβων αμα απαξ τω comes to Be, Receiving It from The God that Possesses It. But The God is not just as γενεσθαι , λαβων του θεου . δε ο θεος εστιουχ ωσπερ απο εχει some opine; without-Perception and without-Intellection. For they blaspheme by their ενιοις δοξει αναισθητος ανοητος : γαρ βλασφημουσι υπο και religious-awe-of-the-divine. And This is The Perception and Intellection of The God; δεισιδαιμονιας . κ ai touto estin η ais θ η size κ ai notice του θεου, That Everything Is Always Moved. For as many that exist, O Asclepion, All These τα παντα εστιν , ω Ασκληπιε , παντα ταυτα κινειν. γαρ οσα exist in The God, and They came to Be by The God, and They depend on That Source; γινομενα υπο του θεου, και εστι εν τω θεω, και ηρτημενα Some energize through bodies, Others move through the ousia of souls; Some give life τα μεν ενεργουντα διασωματων, τα δε κινουντα δια ουσιας ψυχικης, τα δε ζωοποιουντα through breath, Others receive those whose work is done. And in a Reasonable Way. δια πνευματος, τα δε υποδεγομενα τα κεκμηκοτα. εικοτως But instead I say that Self does not contain Selves, but to let The Truth come to Light, εχει αυτα, αλλα δε μαλλον λεγω οτι αυτος ουκ το αληθες αποφαινομαι, **Self** is **All Selves**; not by taking-in *Selves* from outside, but by Bestowing *Selves* out. αυτος εστιν απαντα ουκ προσλαμβανων αυτα εξωθεν, δε επιδιδους And there will not ever be a time when any one of *The Real Beings* will be left out . και ουκ ποτε εσται χρονος οτε των οντων απολειφθησεται: τι Thus when I speak of *The Real Beings*, I speak of **The God**; for **The God** *Possesses* δε οταν λεγω των οντων , λεγω του θεου : γαρ ο θεος εχει The Real Beings, and there is not anyone outside of Self nor is Self outside of anyone.

It is The Whole of God that Sees, The Whole that Thinks, The Whole that Hears.

Xenophanes

ουδεν εκτος αυτου ουτε αυτος

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follows That which Trusts, but that which does not Trust is that which does not Intellect. το πιστευσαι , δε επεται το απιστησαι τω μη νοησαι. For The Logos does not reach as far as The Truth; but The Intellect is Great, and γαρ ο λογος ου φθανει μεχρι της αληθειας : δε ο νους εστι μεγας , και when one is being Lead by The Logos, one may reach as far as The Truth; and thus οδηγηθεις υπο του λογου, φθανει μεχρι της αληθειας: one Intellects Everything On All Sides (Parmenides Poem Fragment 1), and one Finds τα παντα -νοησας και ευρων Those matters which have been Unfolded by The Logos to be Harmonious, by Trusting, ερμηνευθεισιν υπο του λογου συμφωνα , επιστευσε , one also finds Rest in That Beautiful Trust. και επανεπαυσατο τη καλη πιστει. Take Notice then, that on the one hand, those who Intellect by The God, αρ' ουν τοις νοησασι υπο του θεου Trust **That** which has just been spoken, whereas on the other hand, those who do **not** προειρημενα δε Intellect do *not* Trust. Let this much be said concerning **Intellection** and **Perception**. νοησασι απιστα . ταυτα και τοσαυτα λεγεσθω περι νοησεως και αισθησεως .

20 September 2017

10 The Logos of Thrice-Great Hermes

του τρισμεγιστου Ερμου.

The Key Κλεις

Hermes: Yesterday I Imparted **The Logos** to thee , O **Asclepion** , so today it is **Just** that **1A** χθες ανεθηκα Τον λογον σοι , ω Ασκληπιε , δε σημερον εστι δικαιον it be Imparted to **Tat** , since it is also a summary of **The General Logos** of **Those** I have αναθειναι τω Τατ , επει εστιν και επιτομη των γενικων λογων των λελα addressed in relation to **Self** .

-λημενων προς αυτον.

Therefore on the one hand, O Tat, The God and Father, and The Good, , ω Τατ, ο θεος και πατηρ, και το αγαθον, 1B Possess The Nature of Self; or rather on the other hand, The Energy of Self. For την φυσιν αυτην, μαλλον δε ενεργηειαν on the one hand, Nature is the name applied to generation and growth, which is about φυσις εστι η προσηγορια γενεσεως και αυξησεως, απερ εστι περι those beings that change and move; and on the other hand, The Energy of The God μεταβλητα και κινητα: δε η ενεργεια του θεου concerns Those that are Unchanging/Immutable and Immoveable, and These are αμεταβλητα ακινητα , τε τουτεστι περι και Those that are Divine, which Self also wishes the human to be. But we have instructed , ων αυτος και βουλεται τα ανθρωπεια ειναι . δε εδιδαξαμεν about Divine and human Energies elsewhere as well as in the case of other matters, περι θειων τε και ανθρωπινων ενεργειων αλλαχου καθως και επι των αλλων . which you must **Intellect** in the case of **This God**.

α δει νοειν επι τουτου . For The Will is The Energy of This God, and The Ousia of Self is γαρ η θελησις εστι η ενεργεια τουτου : και η ουσια That which Wills All to Be . For what else is The God and Father and The Good than το θελειν παντα ειναι . γαρ τι εστιν ο θεος και πατηρ και το αγαθον η That which no longer Exits of All The Real Beings? Since She Is The Self Hyparxis ουκετι ειναι παντων των οντων ; αλλα αυτη υπαρξις of The Real Beings! This Is The God, This Is The Father! But The Good belongs ο θεος , τουτο ο πατηρ . δε το αγαθον προσεστι των οντων . τουτο to This, by Being such as This, to Which none of the others belong. For on the one τουτω, τοιουτο μηδενι των αλλων προσεστι . γαρ hand, The Kosmos and The Sun and Self are Father to those that are good by means of ο κοσμος και ο ηλιος και αυτος πατηρ των αγαθων Participating of Ousia, whereas on the other hand, They are equally no longer Cause εστιν ισως μετουσιαν 36 ουκετι αιτιος of The Good in Living beings, nor of their life. Then if this has to be in this way, then του αγαθου τοις ζωοις : ουδε του ζην: δε ει τουτο εχει ουτως , μεντοι they are entirely under compulsion of The Good Will of The God, apart from which παντως υπο αναγκαζομένος του αγαθού θεληματός του θέου, χωρίς

nothing is **able** to **exist**, **nor** come to **be**. Oute ti dunaton einal oute general.

But Cause, as Father to The Children, and of Their sowing and Their 3 δε αιτιος, ως πατηρ τοις τεκνοις, και της σπορας και της nourishment, by Receiving from The God The Abundant-Providence of The Good τροφης λαβων παρα του θεου την του αναθου χορηγιαν through The Sun. For The Good is The Creative Cause. But it is not possible for This δια του ηλιου . γαρ το αγαθον εστι το ποιητικον : δε ου δυνατον to come to Be in any other except Only In That, That which on the one hand, receives εγγενεσθαι τινι αλλω η μονω εκεινω, τω μεν nothing, while on the other hand, He Wills All to Be. For I do not say, O Tat, that ερω, ω Τατ. θελοντι παντα ειναι . γαρ ου He Creates; for one who creates is defective over a long period of time, in which period ποιουντι : γαρ ο ποιων εστι ελλιπης πολλω χρονω , εν at one time he creates, but at another time he does *not* create. And he creates qualities ποιει . και οτε μεν ποιει οτε δε ου ποιει ποιοτητας and quantities; for at one time he creates a certain quantity and a certain quality, και ποσοτητας : γαρ ποτε μεν ποσα ποιει whereas at another time he creates their opposites. Whereas The God and Father and τα εναντια. δε ο θεος και πατηρ και The Good, Is The One that Wills Everything to Be. θελειν τα παντα ειναι. το αναθον τω

Accordingly then , O Tat , These Selves also Exist in this way for The One who 4A ara , w Tat , tauta auta kai esti outws two Is Able to See , and since God Wills These to Be ; but Self is especially The Good , dunamenw idein kai gar belei tauta einai , de auto esti malista to agabon , and since All the others exist through This . kai gar panta ta alla estin dia touto .

For it is The Characteristic of The Good to-make-known/to-point-out/ $4B < \ldots > \gamma \alpha \rho$ esti idion tou agabon to gnowlessbail to-explain/to-reveal The Good to The One who Is Able to See . to agabon to dunarion idein .

Tat: You have filled us , O Father , of The Good and Most-Beautiful Vision ; and Eplanesac hmac , whater , the cyalpic kai kallisthe heac : kai The Eye of my Intellect must almost be over-shadowed by Such a Vision . o ofbalmor must nounous dein oligous epeskiash upo the tolauthe heac .

Hermes: For it is *not* in the same way also for The Vision of The Good, just as The ουτω και η θεα του αγαθου ωσπερ η Fiery Rays of The Sun which Shine upon the eyes and make them close. Since πυρωδης ακτις του ηλιού ουσα καταυγάζει τους οφθαλμούς και ποιεί μυείν, $\delta \epsilon$ It Shines forth in the opposite way and in such a case, The One who Sees is Able εκλαμπει τουναντιον και επι τοσουτον, ο θεωμενος δυναται to Receive as much as possible of The Inflow of The Intellectual Splendor. For on the δεξασθαι εφ' οσον την επεισροην της νοητης λαμπηδονος. γαρ

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one hand, It Is More-Acutely-Penetrating in Its Descent (than The Rays of The Sun),
                                     εις το καθικνεισθαι,
 μεν
        εστιν
                    οξυτερα
whereas on the other hand, It Is Wholly Harmless, and It Is Full of Immortality.
                              πασης αβλαβης, και αναπλεως αθανασιας.
And certainly those who are able to draw (Phaedrus 253A) somewhat more of This Vision
             οι δυναμενοι αρυσασθαι
                                                             πλεον υπο της θεας
5 και μην
surely then, often lose awareness of the body, thus they are Liberated from the body in
δη πολλακις κατακοιμιζονται του σωματος : δε
                                                 απολυθεντες του σωματος εις
This Most Beautiful Sight, just as our ancestors Heaven and Kronos Encountered.
την καλλιστην οψιν, ωσπερ ημετεροι οι προγονοι Ουρανος και Κρονος ενετυχον.
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Tat: If only we would also encounter That , O Father ! $Ei\theta\epsilon$ $\eta\mu\epsilon i\zeta$ $\kappa\alpha i$, ω $\pi\alpha\tau\epsilon\rho$.

Hermes: If only indeed, O **Son**. But now we are still too relaxed in relation to **That** γαρ , ω τεκνον : δε νυν ετι ατονουμεν προς Sight, and in this way we are not strong enough to open The Eyes of our Intellect, ουκ ισχυμεν αναπετασι τους οφθαλμους ημων του νου, ουτως and to Behold The Beauty of The Good; of That which Is Incorruptible, of That και θεασασθαι το καλλος του αγαθου, εκεινου το αφθαρτον which Is Ineffable. For when you have nothing to say about Self, then at that time αλαλητον . γαρ οταν εχης μηδεν ειπειν περι αυτου, you will See Self; for The Intuitive-Knowledge of Self Is Deep Silence, αυτο : γαρ η αυτου εστι βαθεια σιωπη γνωσις and The Withdrawal/Inactivity/Inhibition of All the senses. καταργια πασων των αισθησεων. και

For One who **Intellects This**, is not able to **Intellect** anything else; or one who 6 νοησας τουτο ουτε δυναται νοησαι τι αλλο, γαρ Sees **This**, is not able to See anything else; nor hear of anything else, nor even move θεασαμένος ουτέ θεασασθαι τι αλλό , ουτέ ακουσαί περί τίνος αλλού , ουτέ το κίνησαι the body at all; for one Stands-still by Forgetting/Passing-over All The Perceptions and το σωμα συνολον : γαρ ατρεμει επιλαθομένος πασών των αισθησεών τε και Motions of the body. Therefore, The Intellect Illuminates All, and The Whole Soul κινησεων σωματικων: δε τον νουν περιλαμψαν παντα, και την ολην ψυχην Takes-up and Draws-up, through the body, and Turn-around The Whole Self into αναλαμβανει και ανελκει δια του σωματος, και μεταβαλλει ολον αυτον Ousia. For it is impossible, O Son, for Soul to become Divinized while She remains ουσιαν. γαρ αδυνατον , ω τεκνον, ψυχην αποθεωθηναι μενουσαν in the human body, since Self must be Turned-around (Republic 518C-D), and then εν ανθρωπου σωματι: αλλα αυτην χρη μεταβληθηναι , και δη in this way That which becomes Divinized may Behold The Beauty of The Good. ουτω αποθεωθηναι θεασαμενην το καλλος του αγαθου.

Tat: In What Way does Thou mean this, O **Father**? 7 πως λεγεις , ω πατερ;

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δη , ω τεκνον, Πασης διαιρετης ψυχης πολλαι μεταβολαι.
Tat: In What Way in turn does Thou mean separate?
       Πως
                παλιν
                                      διαιρετης;
Hermes: Has thou not heard in The General Logos, that all the souls that wander-about
           Ουκ ηκουσας εν
                                τοις γενικοις
                                               , οτι πασαι αι ψυχαι κυλινδουμεναι
in The Whole Kosmos, as if they were sent-away, are themselves from A Single Soul,
                      ωσπερ απονενεμημεναι εισιν αυται
    τω παντι κοσμω
                                                                     μιας ψυχης
The Soul of The All? Now then, there are many changes of these souls, some tend to
   της του παντος; τοινυν πολλαι αι μεταβολαι τουτων των ψυχων, των μεν επι
that which is more successful, whereas others tend to that which is opposite. For some
          ευτυγεστερον
                                των δε
                                                    το
                                                         εναντιον
                                                                    . γαρ αι μεν
                                            επι
souls which are reptilian are changed into water-borne-souls, then the water-borne into
                                                      , δε αι ενυδροι
     ουσαι ερπετωδεις μεταβαλλουσιν εις
                                            ενυδρα
the land-borne-souls, then the land-borne into the winged-souls, then the aerial-souls
                   , δε αι χερσαιαι
                                              πετεινα
                                                          , δε
     γερσαια
                                      εις
into human-souls. Then the human-souls, that attain The Beginning of Immortality,
εις ανθρωπους : δε αι ανθρωπειαι , ισχουσαι
                                                   αρχην
                                                                αθανασιας .
are transformed into spirits, then in this way into The Choral Dance of The Gods. But
μεταβαλλουσιν εις δαιμονας, ειθ' ουτως εις τον χορον χωρευουσι των θεων: δε
there are Two Choruses of Gods, One is of The Gods that wander, whereas the Other is
                       θεων , ο μεν
                                         των πλανωμενων ,
        δυο
              γοροι
of The Gods that do not wander, and The Self Glory of Soul is The Most Perfect.
                             : και η αυτη δοξα ψυχης
          των απλανων
                                                             τελειοτατη .
         But if a soul that enters into a human body, remains defective, she will not
8A
         δε εαν ψυχη εισελθουσα εις ανθρωπου σωμα, μεινη κακη,
Taste of Immorality, nor will she Partake of The Good, then by being dragged away
γευεται αθανασιας, ουτε μεταλαμβανει του αγαθου, δε
                                                               παλισσυρτος
she turns back to her journey to the reptilian soul; and the sickness-of-their-spirits, is
υποστρεφει επι την οδον
                            τα ερπετα
                                         την: και η
                                                          κακοδαιμων
the failure to Know Themselves while living in slavery with offensive and harmful
  αγνοησασα
                    εαυτην
                                     δουλευει
                                                   αλλοκοτοις και μοχθηροις
bodies, and self is the just-sentence of the defective soul (Theatetus 177A).
σωμασιν, και αυτη καταδικη
                                      κακης ψυχης.
          Thus, the defect of soul is ignorance; for soul, knowing/learning/discerning
                          ψυχης αγνωσια : γαρ ψυχη
                                                               γνουσα
8B
           δε
                  κακια
nothing of The Real Beings, nor of The Nature of These, nor The Good, since she is
            των οντων , μηδε την φυσιν τουτων , μηδε το αγαθον , δε τυφ-
blind, by-being-tossed-about (2nd Alcibiades 151B-C) by the passions of the body;
-λωττουσα, εντινασσεται
                                                     παθεσι τοις σωματικοις,
by carrying the body just as a burden, and since she does not rule, but she is ruled.
βασταζουσα το σωμα ωσπερ φορτιον, και
                                              ουκ αρχουσα, αλλ' αρχομενη.
Such is the defective self of soul.
         κακια αυτη
                     ψυχης.
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Hermes: Surely then , O Son , every *separate* **Soul** goes through many changes .

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But the opposite; The Excellence/Virtue of Soul is Intuitive-Knowledge;
           δε τουναντιον
                                    αρετη
                                                 ψυχης
                                                                γνωσις
for The One who Knows/Learns/Discerns/Makes-Distinctions is also Good and
                                                            και αγαθος και
                             γνους
Devoted, and is already Divine.
ευσεβης, και ηδη θειος.
Tat: Then what sort of person is this, O Father?
            Τις ουτος
                           εστιν, ω πατερ;
Hermes: The One who does not talk much, nor gives heed to much. For the one who
                       μη λαλων πολλα, μηδε ακουων πολλα. γαρ
lingers in giving and listening to speeches, O Son, is shadow-fighting. For The God
σχολαζων δια- και ακοαις - λογοις, ω τεκνον, σκιαμαχει
Father and The Good cannot be spoken of nor heard of (Tao 14). There exist sense-
πατηρ και το αγαθον ουτε
                            λεγεται ουτε ακουεται
                                                                 εισι
perceptions because that is not able be apart by self. Whereas Intuitive-Knowledge
αισθησεις δια το μη δυνασθαι ειναι χωρις αυτου.
                                                    δε
is very different from sense-perception. For on the one hand, perception comes to be
                       αισθησεως . γαρ
10Α πολυ διαφερει
                                             μεν
                                                         αισθησις
when the material has the mastery; using the body as its tool, whereas on the other
                 επικρατουντος χρωμενη τω σωματι οργανω,
   του υλικου
hand, Intuitive-Knowledge Is The Fulfillment of Knowledge, but Knowledge Is
                                               επιστημης , δε επιστημη
            γνωσις
                        εστιν
                                το τελος
The Gift of The God; for All Knowledge Is Incorporeal, which Uses Self as The
  δωρον του θεου: γαρ πασα επιστημη ασωματος , χρωμενη αυτω τω
Organ for Intellect, thus The Intellect is opposed to the body. Therefore, when a soul
            νοι , δε
                           ο νους
                                      εναντιος τω σωματι .
                                                              ουν
enters into a body, she gives-way to both The Intellectual and the material aspects.
εισδυσα εις σωμα
                      χωρει
                                         τα νοητα
                                 τε
                                                      και
                                                            τα υκικα .
And since it is impossible for this to be otherwise; for Everything must be composed
           αδυνατον τουτο ειναι αλλως ; γαρ τα παντα δει συνεσταναι
out of contrast and opposition . Since this has to be thus with All The Real Beings .
ex antiqhsews kai enantiothtos . De toutou exontos outwe en pasi tois ousin , . . .
Tat: Therefore in what way does This Material God exist? As The Kosmos?
10B
               Τις οδι
                                 ο υλικος θεος
       ουν
                                                            ο κοσμος;
Hermes: The Kosmos is not defective, but neither is It Good; for It is Material, and
                            κακος , δε
                                          ουκεστι αγαθος; γαρ
          ο κοσμος
                      Ου
                                                                   υλικος , και
easily affected/influenced/changed. And so on the one hand, It is The First of All Those
             ευπαθητος
                                   και
                                            μεν
                                                              πρωτος παντων
that are affected, whereas on the other hand, It is Second among The Real Beings, and
                                             δευτερος
                                                               των οντων
                         36
on the one hand, since Self is For Ever coming to Be, Self is also Always in Need, thus
                                    γενομενος
                 δε αυτος ποτε
                                                  αυτο- ων και αει -δεης,
on the other hand, It Exists in Generation/Creation, and It Always comes to Be in
      δε
                    ων εν
                                   γενεσει
                                                , και
                                                         αει
                                                                γινομενος
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The Generation/Creation of Qualities and Quantities. Accordingly then, It is Moving;
                        των ποιων και των ποσων.
           γενεσει
                                                        αρα
                                                                       κινητος :
for All Material Generation/Creation is Motion.
γαρ πασα υλικη
                     γενεσις
                                εστιν κινησις.
          Thus The Intellectual Stillness Moves The Material Motion this way;
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                               στασις κινει την υλικην κινησιν τουτον τον τροπον.
                      νοητη
Since The Kosmos is A Sphere, that is Like a Head, since there is nothing Material
       ο Κοσμος εστι σφαιρα, τουτεστι κεφαλη, δε
                                                              ουδεν υλικον
Above The Head, just as there is nothing Intellectual below the feet, where All is
υπερανω κεφαλης, ωσπερ
                               ουδεν
                                       νοητον υποκατω ποδων, δε παν
Matter, thus Intellect is The Head Moving Self in a Spherical Way, but this is
                     κεφαλη κινουμενη αυτη
                                                 σφαιρικως
                                                              , δε τουτο εστι
The Way of The Head. Therefore, as many as are United to The Thin Membrane
                                     οσα προσηνωται τω (like an Eggshell) υμενι
     κεφαλικως
                         ουν
of This Head, in which The Soul Is, are Immortal by Nature (just as body has been
ταυτης της κεφαλης, εν ω η ψυχη εστιν, αθανατα
                                               πεφυκέν, ωσπέρ σωματός πε-
made in Soul ) so also do They possess more of The Soul than of The Body . Therefore,
-ποιημενού εν ψυχη και εχοντά πλειώ την ψυχην
                                                      του σωματος :
those that are further-away from The Membrane are mortal, by possessing more body
                                                         εχοντα πλεον το σωμα
                                   υμενος
                                              θνητα ,
              πορρω
                           του
   τα
than Soul. Then, just like The All, Every Living-being is composed out of Material
                                           ζωον
                                                    συνεστηκεν εκ τε υλικου
της ψυχης. δε
                 ωστε
                         το παν
                                  παν
and Intellectual Places. Then since Its Body has been Created by Being-Ensouled,
                   . δε δη του σωματος πεποιημενου
                                                               εμψυγου
The All is A Living-Being.
το παν
                ζωον
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On the one hand, The Kosmos is also The First among the other Livingο κοσμος και 12 πρωτον των αλλων Beings, whereas on the other hand, the human-being is the second living-being after ο ανθρωπος ζωων: δε δευτερον ζωον μετα The Kosmos, but the human-being is the first among the other mortal living-beings that τον κοσμον , δε πρωτον των αλλων θνητων ζωων μεν must be ensouled. But the human-being is no longer solely not Good, but by being εχει εμψυχον. δε ουκετι μονον ουκ αγαθος, αλλα ως mortal, he is also defective. For on the one hand, The Kosmos is not Good, by being και κακος . γαρ μεν ο κοσμος ουκ αγαθος, moveable, whereas on the other hand, It is *not* defective, by being Immortal; whereas κινητος, κακος , ως αθανατος: the human-being is both not Good, by being movable, and defective by being mortal. ανθρωπος και ουκ αγαθος ως κινητος , και κακος

Thus, the human soul is carried in this way: The Intellect is carried in The 13 de androw yuch oceital touton ton tropoon, o noul en two Logos, and The Logos in the soul, then the soul in the breath. Then the breath, is logo, o logos en the yuch, de hyuch en two preducts: de to preduct,

diffused through the veins and arteries and along with the blood moves the living body δια των φλεβων και αρτηριων και μετα του αιματος, κινει το ζωον σωμα διηκον and carries it just as if it were a burden. And that is why some people are accustomed και βασταζει ωσπερ τινα φορτον . και διο τινες to think that blood is of the soul, but they are mistaken about her nature, because they -μισαν αιμα ειναι την ψυχην, σφαλλομενοι της φυσεως, do not see/know that the breath must first withdraw into the soul, and at that time, the ouk eidotes tou pneumatos dei proton anacorhoantos eis thn yuchn , kai tote $\,$, to surrounding blood, coagulates throughout the veins, and leave the arteries empty. περιέχον το αίμα, παγηναί κατά τας φλέβας, και καταλείπειν τας αρτηρίας κενώθεισας. and this is the death of the body.

και τουτο εστιν ο θανατος του σωματος.

Everything Depends upon One Cause/Source, whereas The Cause Depends 14A τα παντα ηρτηται εκ μιας αρχης upon The One and Only. And on the one hand, The Cause is Moved, in order that εκ του ένος και μονου . και η αρχη κινειται , ινα นะง She Be The Fontal Cause of All; thus Only The One "Is Still", and Is Not Moved. αρχη παντων : δε μονον το εν εστηκέν, και ου κινειται. γενηται

Now then, These are also Three; The God and Father and The Good; so also ταυτα και τρια, οθεος και πατηρ και το αγαθον, και are The Kosmos and the human-being Three. And on the one hand, The God contains ο κοσμος, και ο ανθρωπος : και μεν ο θεος εχει The Kosmos, whereas The Kosmos contains the human-being. And on the one hand, τον κοσμον , ο κοσμος τον ανθρωπον . και The Kosmos comes to be The Son of The God, whereas on the other hand, the human ο κοσμος γινεται υιος του θεου δε ο ανθρωπος is the son of The Kosmos, just as if the human-being were the grandson of The God. του κοσμου, ωσπερ εγγονος υιος του θεου.

Accordingly then, The God does not ignore the human-being, since He is also 15A ο θεος ουκ αγνοει τον ανθρωπον , αλλα Perfectly Known, and He Wishes to be Known. This is the only Salvation/Preservation πανυ γνωριζει , και θελει γνωριζεσθαι . τουτο εστιν μονον σωτηριον for the human-being, such as The Intuitive-Knowledge of The God. Self is The Ascent ανθρωπω γνωσις του θεου : αυτη to Olympus (The Abode of The Gods). by This Alone can soul come to Be Good. : τουτω μονω εις τον Ολυμπον ψυχη γινεται αγαθη. and she does not remain Good forever, since she becomes defective out of Necessity. και <...> μενει αγαθη ουδεποτε, δε γινεται κακη κατ' αναγκην.

Tat: In What Way does Thou mean this, O **Thrice Great One**? Πως λεγεις τουτο, ω τρισμεγιστε

Hermes: Behold the soul of a Child, O Son, which self has not yet accepted the θεασαι Ψυχην παιδος, ω τεκνον, αυτης μηδεπω επιδεχομενην

dissolution of herself, since the body of self is still small and has not yet fully grown. διαλυσιν εαυτην, του σωματος αυτης οντος ετι ολίγου και μηδέπω το παν ωγκωμένου, How Beautiful she is on the one hand, to behold in every way, not yet soiled by the μεν βλεπειν πανταχου, δε μηδεποτε τεθολωμενην υπο των passions of the body, by still closely depending upon The Soul of The Kosmos. But on παθων του σωματος, ετι σχεδον ηρτημενη της ψυχης του κοσμου. the other hand, when the body has grown massive, and drags self down by the mass 36 οταν τω σωμα ογκωθη και κατασπαση αυτην εις τους ογκους of the body, it ingenerates forgetfulness; and thus she dissolves herself, and so she του σωματος, εγγεννα $\lambda \eta \theta \eta \nu$, $\delta \epsilon$ διαλυσσα εαυτην no longer Partakes of The Beautiful and Good, since forgetting becomes her defect. ουκετι μεταλαμβανει του καλου και αγαθου, δε τη ληθη γινεται Whereas the opposite results for **Self** and for those that are **Freed** of the 16 δε το εναντιον συμβαινει αυτο και τοις εξιουσιν body. For when the soul Returns to herself, she is separated from the breath, σωματος . γαρ η ψυγη αναδραμουσα εις εαυτης χωριζεται του πνευματος, and The Intellect from the soul; whereas The Intellect by Being Divine by Nature, της ψυχης : θειος δε ο νους by Coming to Be Free from the garments, Puts on A Body of Fire Traversing-through γενομένος καθαρός των ενδυματών, επιλαβομένος σωματός πυρίνου περιπολεί Every Place, leaving the soul to The Judgment and Atonement she Deserves. πατα τοπον, καταλιπων την ψυχην τη κρισει και δικη κατ' αξιαν.

της ψυχης;

Hermes: The One who Listens to *The One who Speaks*, O **Son**, must Reflect, and λεγοντι , ω τεκνον , δει Συννοειν , και 17 τον ακουοντα τω the hearing has to be Sharper than *The Voice* of *The Speaker*. The integration of these την ακοην εχειν οξυτερον της φωνης του λεγοντες. η συνθησις τουτων garments takes place in the earthy body. For it is impossible for The Intellect to be των ενδυματων γινεται εν γηινω σωματι . γαρ αδυνατον τον νουν εδρασ-Seated Naked/Unclothed -Self by Itself- in an earthy body . For the earthy body is auton kah' eauton en ghina samati . gar to ghinan sama esti -ασθαι not able to bear So Great an Immortality, nor can Such An Excellence sustain ουτε δυνατον ενεγκειν τηλικαυτην αθανασιαν, ουτε την τοσαυτην αρετην ανεχεσθαι having contact with a body self that is passive. Therefore It has taken the soul as if she συγχωριζομενον σωμα αυτη παθητον . ουν ελαβεν την ψυχην ωσπερ were a covering; whereas the soul, by self also being a certain Divinity, she makes use η ψυχη, αυτη και ουσα περιβολην: δε θεια , τις χρηται

of the breath as if it were her covering, and thus the breath manages the living body. τω πνευματι καθαπερει περιβολη, δε το πνευμα διοικει το ζωον σωμα. For the breath is enveloped/involved in the blood, but the soul in the breath. γαρ το πνευμα συστελλεται εις το αιμα, δε η ψυχη εις το πνευμα.

Therefore, whenever The Intellect is Liberated from the earthy body, 18 απαλλαγη του γηινου σωματος, 0 νους It Immediately Puts on Its Characteristic Garment/Membrane, That of Fire, which ιδιον ευθυς ενεδυσατο τον , τον πυρινον , ον γιτωνα It could not have in the earthy body. For earth cannot bear fire; for it is all burnt up, ηδυνατο ουκ έχων εις το γηινον σωμα . γαρ γη ου βασταζει πυρ : γαρ πασα φλεγεται even by a tiny spark. And because of this, water is spread round the earth, just as και υπο ολιγου σπινθηρος: και δια τουτο το υδωρ και περικεχυται τη γη , ωσπερ a defense or a wall to hold off the flames of the fire. Whereas by Intellect being ερυμα και τειχος προς αντέχον την φλογά του πυρος. δε The Sharpest of All The Divine Intellections, and The Sharpest of All The Elements οξυτατος παντών των θείων νοηματών , και το οξυτατόν παντών των στοιχείων possesses The Body of Fire. For by The Creator of All Being Intellect, He uses Fire το σωμα πυρ . γαρ ο δημιουργος παντων ων νους χρηται τω πυρι as an Instrument of His Creativity. And on the one hand, Intellect Is The Creator οργανω προς την δημιουργιαν. και ο δημιουργος μεν of **The All** of *Everything*, whereas on the other hand, the human Intellect, of only του ανρθωπου ο του παντος των παντων, δε earthy works; for by being stripped-naked of The Fire, the Intellect in the human-being των επιγειων : γαρ νους εν ανθρωπω ων γυμνος του πυρος is unable to create Those works that are Divine, being human by where It dwells. αδυνατει δημιουργειν τα , ων ανθρωπινος τη οικησει. θεια

The Human Soul , but on the one hand , not every soul , but The Pious Soul 19 and proporting your , derivation on the other hand , is A Certain Spirit and Divine ; and after Such a Soul is Liberated derivating daimonia kai heia : kai meta toiauth η yuch , apallagneric from the body and from the struggle in the contest for Piety -but the struggle for Piety Is tou sommator ton agona agona agona english according to both the struggle for Piety Is

To Intellectually-Perceive/Recognize **The God**, and thus, to harm **no** human-beingτο γνωναι τον θεον και αδικησαι μηδενα ανθρωπων, –

A:B::B:C
As God does to me, so also, will I do to Others

She Becomes A Whole Intellect; and when She Becomes a Spirit, She shall be Ordered γινεται ολη νους: και οταν γενηται δαιμων, τυχειν τετακται in relation to Those Servants of The God of a Fiery Body. Whereas the impious soul προς τας υπηρεσιας του θεου πυρινου σωματος. δε η ασεβης ψυχη

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remains attached to her private/personal/individual ousia, being Corrected by herself,
                                             ουσιας, κολαζομενη υφ' εαυτης,
 นะงะเ
           επι
                  της
                              ιδιας
and thus she seeks an earthy body into which she may enter.
       ζητουσα
                   γηινον σωμα εις
                                              εισελθη
        But that is a human soul. For no other body can make room for a human soul.
19B
                  ανθρωπινον: γαρ ου αλλο σωμα
                                                               ανθρωπινην ψυχην.
                                                      χωρει
Nor is it Lawful for a human soul to fall into the body of an irrational living-being.
ουδε εστιν θεμις ανθρωπινην ψυχην καταπεσιν εις σωμα
                                                         αλογου
                                                                    ζωου:
For This is The Law of The God, to Protect the human soul from such an outrage.
γαρ ουτος
            νομος θεου, φυλασσειν ανθρωπινην ψυχην απο της τοιαυτης υβρεως.
Tat: In what way then, is human soul Corrected, O Father?
20
                ουν ανθρωπινη ψυχη κολαζεται, ω πατερ;
Hermes: And what greater Correction is there for the human soul than the impiety?
                                     εστι ανθρωπινης ψυχης η η ασεβαεια
         Και τις μειζων κολασις
           What kind of Fire, O Son, possesses such great flames as the impiety?
                   πυρ , ο τεκνον , εχει τοσαυτον οσην φλογα η ασεβεια ;
          ποιον
         Then what kind of powerful, dangerous wild beast could so maims the body
                                 δακετον
                                            θηριον τοσουτον λυμαναι το σωμα
     δε
                      ισγυει
                      as much as the impiety maims The Self of soul?
                             η ασεβεια
                                              την αυτην ψυχην;
                     οσον
        Or do you not see how much depravity/defectiveness the impious soul suffers?
         ουκ ορας
                       οσα
                                      κακα
                                                       η ασεβης ψυχη πασχει,
    η
                             How much Self cries and screams
                          αυτης βοωσης και κεκραγυιας
           "I am on fire! I am in flames! I do not know what to say, what to do!
          καιομαι
                         φλεγομαι
                                       ουκ οιδα
                                                    τι ειπω , τι ποιησω :
      I am being all-consumed by the wretched-spirit of those defects which control me!
         διεσθιομαι
                              η κακοδαιμων
                                                 των κακων
                                                              κατεχοντων με.
                        υπο
                               I cannot see! I cannot hear!"
                            ουτε βλεπω ουτε ακουω ."
             Are these selves not the voices of a soul which is being Corrected?
                         ου αι φωναι ψυχης
                                                      κολαζομενης
         Or does thou also opine as the many, O Son, that when soul leaves the body
     η συ και δοχαζεις ως οι πολλοι , ω τεκνον , οτι ψυχη εξελθουσα του σωματος
         she enters the body of a beast? But this is like wandering exceedingly astray.
               θηριαζεται
                                                        πλανη μεγιστη .
          For soul is Corrected In This Way.
                                               For when The Intellect enters into
        γαρ ψυγη κολαζεται τουτον τον τροπον. γαρ
                                                          ο νους εισδυς εις
the impious soul, It torments Self with the lashes belonging to those that go astray,
την ασέβη ψυχην, αικιζεται αυτην ταις μαστιξιν των (Phaedrus 253E) αμαρτηματών
and by which lashes, the impious soul is Corrected. For she is turned to blasphemies,
και υφ ων μαστιζομενη ασεβης ψυγη κολαζεται ; γαρ τρεπεται επι βλασφημιας,
and murder, and hubris and every kind of violence through which humans are wronged.
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δι'

ων ανθρωποι αδικουνται.

και φονους και και υβρεις, και ποικιλας βιας

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But when The Intellect enters into The Pious Soul , It Leads Self towards The Light of δε ο νους εις την ευσεβη ψυχην οδηγει αυτην επι το φως της Intuitive-Knowledge . Thus , Such a Soul can never be Full of Praising and of γνωσεως : δε η τοιαυτη ψυχη ισχει ουδεποτε κορον υμνουσα τε Speaking-Well of The God , and of doing every kind of Good to All Humans ευφημουσα τον θεον , και ποιουσα παντα ευ παντας ανθρωπους in Logos and Works , by Self Imitating The Father (A:B::B:C) . και λογος και εργοις , αυτης μιμουμενη τον πατερα .
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For which Logos, O Son, when Offering-Gratitude to The God, Thou must
22A
                         , ο τεκνον ,
                                        ευχαριστουντα
                                                              φ3θ ωτ
                διο
Pray for The Intellect that happens to Be Noble/Beautiful/Elegant . Therefore on the
ευχεσθαι του νου
                          τυχειν
                                               καλου
one hand, soul can pass-over to That which is Superior, while on the other hand, it is
        ψυχη μεταβαινει
                                  το κρειττον
impossible for soul to pass-over to that which is inferior.
αδυνατον
                             εις το
                                          ελλατον.
            Then there is The Communion of Souls; and on the one hand, The Souls
22B
                                          ψυχων : και
              \delta \varepsilon
                  £071
                             κοινωνια
                                                           μεν
of The Gods Commune with the souls of human-beings, while on the other hand,
                                     των ανθρωπων,
 των θεων κοινωνουσιν
                          ταις
those of human-beings Communicate with those of those that are without-The-Logos.
      των ανθρωπων
                                      ταις
                                                  των
                                                                   αλογων.
Thus The Stronger Take care of the weaker, and so on the one hand, The Gods Take
δε οι κρειττονος επιμελουνται των ελαττονων,
                                                   μεν
care of human-beings, while on the other hand, human-beings take care of those living-
       ανθρωπων
                                              ανθρωποι
                               δε
beings that are without-The-Logos, whereas The God Takes care of All; for This Very
                   αλογων
                                    δε
                                          ο θεος
                                                            παντων :
God is Stronger than All; and All are weaker than Self. Therefore on the one hand,
      κρειττων παντων και παντα ελαττονα αυτου.
                                                        ουν
The Kosmos is subject to The God, whereas on the other hand, the human-being is
 ο κοσμος υποκειται τω θεω,
                                                                ανθρωπος
subject to The Kosmos, whereas those that are without-The-Logos are subject to the
         τω κοσμω
                         δε
                                   τα
                                                  αλογα
human-being; whereas The God Is Above All and is Concerned with All. And on the
 ανθρωπω :
                δε
                       ο θεος υπερ παντα και
                                                     περι
                                                              παντα . και
one hand, just as The Energies of The God are just like Rays, so also on the other
        καθαπερ αι ενεργειαι του θεου καθαπερ ακτίνες;
hand, are The Natural Forces like Rays of The Kosmos: furthermore, so also are
              αι φυσεις
                                       του κοσμου,
The Arts and The Kinds of Knowledge like Rays of the human-being. On the one hand,
αι τεχναι και
                    επιστημων
                                              του ανθρωπου.
The Energies, are Energized/Activated throughout The Kosmos, and in the case of
 αι ενεργειαι,
                     ενεργουσαι
                                                 του κοσμου , και
                                          δια
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the human-being, They are Diffused throughout as The Natural Rays of The Kosmos.
τον ανθρωπον
                     διηκουσι
                                                των φυσικων ακτινων του κοσμου:
                                      δια
And on the other hand, The Natural Rays are Diffused throughout The Elements.
                                φυσεις
                                                   δια
                                                                των στοιχειων .
Then finally, The human Rays are Diffused throughout The Arts and Knowledges.
    δε
               οι ανθρωποι
                                                    των τεχνων και επιστημων.
                                         δια
            And it is The Self Maintenance of The All, of All Depending upon
23
           και εστι η αυτη διοικησις του παντος, παντων ηρτημενων εκ
The Nature of The One God, who also Keeps-Maintaining throughout The One
της φυσεως του ενος θεου,
                                         διοικουμενων
                               και
                                                                    του ενος
Intellect. Of which Intellect, there are None more divine or effective, or more able
                            εστι ουδεν θειστερον και ενεργεστερον, και ενωτικώτε-
  vou
to Unite humans to Gods and Gods to humans.
                                                      But This is The Good Spirit,
-ρον ανθρωπων μεν προς θεους δε θεων προς ανθρωπους, ουτος εστιν ο αγαθος δαιμων:
The Blessed Soul is Full of This, but the soul of wretched-spirit is empty of This.
η μακαρια ψυχη πληρης τουτου, δε η ψυχη
                                              κακοδαιμων
                                                              κενη τουτου.
Tat: In what way, in turn, does Thou mean this, O Father?
                              λεγεις
                                        τουτο, ω πατερ;
Hermes: Therefore does Thou believe, O Son, that every soul possesses Intellect;
                                  , ω τεκνον , οτι πασα ψυχη εχει
                       Οιει
The Good Intellect? For The Logos is now about This, but not about The Steward
                  ; γαρ ο λογος νυν περιτουτου, ου περι υπηρετικου
τον αγαθον
of which we have spoken before, who was sent down in Due Course. For often, The
        ειρηκαμεν εμπροσθεν, του καταπεμπομενού υπό της δικής. γαρ πολλακίς ο
Intellect takes-leave of the soul; and in that hour, the soul can neither see nor hear,
        εξισταται της ψυχης: και εν εκεινη τη ωρα η ψυχη ουτε βλεπει ουτε ακουει,
since she is like a living-being without-The-Logos; for a soul apart from Intellect "Can
αλλ'
                                    αλογω
       εοικε
                   ζωω
                                              : γαρ ψυχη χωρις
                                                                  vou
                                                                          'δυναται
not say nor accomplish anything". So Great is The Power of The Intellect. Since It
ουτε ειπειν ουτ' ερξαι
                        τι,
                              . τηλικαυτη εστι δυναμις του
does not endure a sluggish/dull soul, but It takes-leave of the soul that depends upon the
ουδε ανεχεται
                  νωθρας ψυχης, αλλα καταλειπει
                                                       την
                                                               προσηρτημενην τω
body which is also being suffocated by self here below. But such a soul, O Son,
                      αγχομένην υπ' αυτου κάτω . δε τοιαυτή η ψυχή, ω τέκνον,
σωματι και
has no Intellect; for which Logos such a one must not be deemed to be a human-being.
εχει ουχ νουν:
                    οθεν
                               τον τοιουτον δει ουδ'
                                                                    ανθρωπον.
                                                       ηγεισθαι
         For the Human-being is Divine, and is not to be compared with the other
                 ανθρωπος εστι θειον, και ου συγκρινεται τοις αλλοις ζωοις
24B
living-beings that are upon The Earth, but to those Above in Heaven called Gods.
   ζωοις
                       επιγειοις
                                   , αλλα τοις
                                                 ανω εν ουρανω λεγομενοις θεοις:
But if we must rather dare to speak The Truth, then The Truly-Real Human-being is
ει χρη μαλλον τολμησαντας ειπειν το αληθες , δε
                                                        οντως
                                                                   ανθρωπος εστιν
also Beyond Those Gods, or at least in every way Equal in Power to One Another.
                                   παντως
                                              ισοδυναμουσιν
και υπερ
             εκεινοις , η γε
                                                                   αλληλοις.
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For on the one hand, *not one* of The Heavenly Gods will descend down to ουδεις των ουρανιων θεων κατελευσεται επι 25 γαρ μεν The Earth, leaving-behind The Boundary of Heaven, whereas on the other hand, , καταλιπων τον ορον ουρανου : The Human-Being/Guardian/Bodhisattva/Steward both Ascends to The Heaven. ανθρωπος και αναβαινει εις τον ουρανον, and Measures Self, and knows on the one hand, of what Kind of Self is The Lofty, και μετρει αυτον , και οιδε μεν ποια αυτου εστιν υψηλα, and on the other hand, knows of what **Kind** of **Self** is **The Lowly**, and *Precisely* Learns ποια ταπεινα, και ακριβως μανθανει All the other aspects; and the greatest of all, is that The Ascent takes-place while not : και το μειζον παντων , παντα τα αλλα γινεται leaving The Earth; so great is the extent for Self. For which Logos one must dare say καταλιπων την γην: τοσουτον το μεγεθος εστιν της εκστασεως αυτω. διο τολμητέον είπειν that on the one hand, The Earthly Human-being is a mortal god, and on the other hand, τον επιγειον ανθρωπον ειναι θνητον θεον, The Heavenly God is an Immortal Human-Being. Therefore Everything is Maintained τον ουρανιον θεον αθανατον ανθρωπον . διοπερ τα παντα by These Two: by The Kosmos and by The Human-being, but All by The One God. ανθρωπου, δε τα παντα υπο του ενος θεου. τουτων των δυο, κοσμου και

11 The Logos of Intellect to Hermes

Νου προς Ερμην

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Intellect: Take Mastery of The Logos, O Thrice Great Hermes, and Remember
                       του λογου , ω τρισμεγιστε
1 A
                                                    Ερμη , και μεμνησο
The Words that are being spoken. Thus I shall not hesitate to speak as it comes to Me.
              λενομενων
                           . δε
                                       ουκ οκνησω
                                                      ειπειν ως επηλθεν μοι.
Hermes: Since many have spoken much -and these words are different- about The All
         επει πολλα ειποντων πολλων και ταυτα
                                                     διαφορα περί του παντός
and about The God, I have not learned The Truth, will Thou, Master, make It quite
                        ουκ εμαθον το αληθες,
                                                        , δεποτα , διασαφη-
         του θεου ενω
                                                  συ
Clear to me concerning This; for I can only Trust The Disclosure of This from Thee.
-σον μοι περι τουτου : γαρ και αν μονω πιστευσαιμι την φανερωσιν περι τουτου σοι .
Intellect: Hear, O Son, in what way The God Possesses/Contains Time and The All.
       ακουε, ω τεκνον, ως
                                   ο θεος
                                                           ο χρονος και το παν .
                                                  εχει
           The God, The Eternity, The Kosmos, The Time, The Generation.
2
         ο θεος , ο αιων , ο κοσμος , ο χρονος , η
              The God Creates Eternity; then Eternity Creates The Kosmos;
                    ποιει τον αιωνα, δε ο αιων
                                                        τον κοσμον,
             then The Kosmos Creates Time; then Time Creates Generation.
                   κοσμος τον χρονον, δε ο χρονος
          δε
                                                         την γενεσιν.
                    Therefore just as Ousia Is The Good of The God,
                         ωσπερ ουσια εστι το αγαθον του θεου,
   so also Are Beauty, The Spiritual-Blessedness and Wisdom (The Good of The God).
         το καλον, η
                           ευδαιμονια
                                                η σοφια
                   thus The Sameness (Is The Good) of The Eternity,
                     η ταυτοτης,
                                                  του αιωνος,
                     thus The Order (Is The Good) of The Kosmos,
                        η ταξις,
                                                του κοσμου,
             thus Change/Transition/Turning-about (Is The Good) of Time,
                       η μεταβολη,
                                                          του χρονου,
           δε
    thus (The Same Recursive Order ) of Life and Death (Is The Good) of Generation .
                                η ζωη και ο θανατος
 δε
                                                                της γενεσεως.
                  Then The Energies of The God are Intellect and Soul;
               δε
                     ενεργειαι
                                  του θεου
                                                 νους και ψυχη,
     while Those of Eternity, are Immortality and Permanence/Duration/Continuity,
   δε
             του αιωνος,
                            αθανασια
                                        και
                                                         διαμονη
            while Those of The Kosmos, are Restoration and Re-Restoration;
          δε
                      του κοσμου, αποκαταστασις και ανταποκαταστασις,
                    while Those of Time, are Increase and Decrease;
                                         αυξησις και μειωσις,
                  δε
                         του χρονου,
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while Those of Generation, are Qualities and Quantities.
               δε
                                           ποιητης και ποσοτης.
                          της γενεσεως,
                           Therefore, Eternity Is In The God,
                          ουν
                                  ο αιων
                                           εν
                                              τω θεω ,
                            then The Kosmos Is In Eternity,
                                          εν τω αιωνι,
                         δε
                               ο κοσμος
                             then Time Is In The Kosmos,
                           δε ο χρονος εν τω κοσμω
                              then Generation Is In Time.
                           δε
                               η γενεσις εν τω χρονω.
               And on the one hand, Eternity Stands-still About The God,
                                 ο αιων
                                                     περι τον θεον,
            και
                     μεν
                                           εστηκε
               whereas on the other hand, The Kosmos Moves In Eternity,
                                      ο κοσμος κινειται εν τω αιωνι,
                           while Time Passes In The Kosmos,
                       δε ο χρονος περαιουται εν τω κοσμω,
                        while Generation Comes to Be In Time.
                            η γενεσις γινεται εν τω χρονω.
                      36
                Therefore on the one hand, The Source of All Is The God,
3
                           μεν
                                        πηγη ταντων
                                                          ο θεος,
               whereas on the other hand, Ousia Is The Source of Eternity,
                      δε
                                     ουσια
                                                           ο αιων ,
                     whereas Matter Is The Source of The Kosmos.
                                                  ο κοσμος,
               whereas The Power of The God Is The Source of Eternity,
              \delta \epsilon
                      δυναμις
                               του θεου
                                                           ο αιων,
                     whereas The Work of Eternity Is The Kosmos:
                                    του αιωνος
                            εργον
                                                      κοσμος,
              which Never comes to Be, and Always comes to Be by Eternity.
                       γενομένος, και αει γινομένος υπό του αιώνος.
    For which Logos It will not ever be utterly-destroyed, for Eternity Is Indestructible;
      διο
                   ουδε ποτε
                                   φθαρησεται
                                                : γαρ αιων
                                                                  αφθαρτος.
                    nor is anyone of those In The Kosmos abandoned,
                                        τω κοσμω απολειται,
                 ουδε
                              των εν
                     for The Kosmos Is Encompassed by Eternity.
                   του κοσμου εμπεριεχομένου υπο του αιώνος.
Hermes: Then what is The Ousia of The God?
         δε τις εστι η ουσια του θεου;
Intellect: The Good and The Beautiful. And The Spiritually-Blessed Wisdom
         το αγαθον και το
                             καλον . και η
                                                  ευδαιμονια
and Every Virtue/Excellence. And therefore Eternity Adorns The Matter,
                                         ο αιων κοσμει την υλην,
και πασα
              η αρετη
                          . και
                                  ουν
by Instilling Immortality and Permanence Into The Matter . For That
4Α εν-
           αθανασιαν και διαμονην -θεις τη υλη : γαρ εκεινης
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Generation depends upon Eternity, just as Eternity also depends on The God;
η γενεσις ηρτηται εκ του αιωνος , καθαπερ ο αιων
                                                          εκ του θεου:
                                                 και
for Generation and Time are both In Heaven and In Earth by Being Double-Natured;
γαρ η γενεσις και ο χρονος εισιν εν ουρανω και εν
                                                          οντες
                                                  γη
       thus on the one hand, In Heaven They are Unchangeable and Incorruptible;
                        εν ουρανω
                                           αμεταβλητων και
                                                               αφθαρτων
          whereas on the other hand In Earth They are changeable and corruptible.
                                               μεταβλητων και φθαρτων.
                               εν γη
               And on the one hand, The God Is The Soul of The Eternity,
           και
                                  ο θεος
                                             η ψυχη του αιωνος,
             whereas on the other hand, Eternity is The Soul of The Kosmos,
                                   ο αιων
                                                         του κοσμου
                       whereas Heaven Is The Soul of The Earth.
                       δε ο ουρανος
                                                  της γης.
                   And on the one hand, The God Is In The Intellect,
4B
                                      ο θεος
                                               εν τω
                και
                 whereas on the other hand, The Intellect Is In The Soul,
                         36
                                         0
                                             νους
                                                     εν τη ψυχη,
                          whereas The Soul Is In The Matter.
                               τη ψυγη
                                          εν τη υλη.
                     Whereas All These Exist Through The Eternity.
                    δε παντα ταυτα
                                          δια
                                                 του αιωνος.
     Whereas This Whole Body, In which All The Bodies Exist, Is Filled-Full of Soul,
        touto to pay soma, en \omega payta ta somata esti, estin plupes yunns:
                    whereas The Soul Is Filled-Full of The Intellect,
                                                       νου
                    δε
                          η ψυχη
                                     πληρης
                                                του
                       and The Intellect Is Filled-Full of The God.
                   και ο νους
                                                 του θεου.
                  Thus on the one hand, Soul Fills-Full The Inner Self,
                δε
                                   ψυχη πληροι
                                                   εντος αυτο ,
                       μεν
             whereas on the other hand, She Encompasses Self from Without,
                     δε
                                       περιλαμβανει
                                                              εκτος ,
                             Giving-Vitality to The Whole,
                           ζωοποιουσα
                                            το παν,
      Without on the one hand, The Kosmos Is This Great and Perfect Living-Being,
    εκτος
                         , τον κοσμον τουτο το μεγα και τελειον
                 Within on the other hand, Exist All The Living-Beings,
               εντος
                           δε
                                        παντα
                                                    τα ζωα
       and Above on the one hand In The Heaven, She Remains In The Sameness,
    και ανω
                             εν τω ουρανω
                                              διαμενουσα εν τη ταυτοτητι,
                   μεν
    whereas Below At-The-Same-Time on The Earth She Turns The Generation About.
   δε
        κατω
                     αμα
                                επι της γης
                                                μετα-
                                                         τη γενεσει -βαλλουσα.
                      Thus, The Eternity Holds-together This All,
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                                        συνέχει τουτο το παν,
                    δε
                            ο αιων
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-whether by Necessity, or Providence, or Nature, or anything else one may think or - ειτε δι' αναγκην, ειτε προνοιαν, ειτε φυσιν, ειτε τι τις αλλο This All Is The God of Efficacious-Energy . Whereas The Energy Is οιηθησεται – τουτο παν εστι, ο θεος ενεργων δε η ενεργεια ουσα The Unsurpassable Power of The God, which should not be compared to anything ανυπερβλητος δυναμει του θεου , η αν ουτε παραβαλλοι For which Logos, O Hermes, Thou should never be led human nor **Divine**. , ω Ερμη , τα ανθρωπεια ουτε τα θεια. διο μηδεποτε to believe that *Anyone* of *Those* Below nor of *Those* Above is Similar to The God; των κατω μητε των ομοιον ανω for at that time, Thou will go astray from The Truth (Parmenides 133C-D). For της αληθειας εκπεση nothing is Like That which Un-Like and 'Is' Alone 'and' One. And do not be led to ουδεν ομοιον τω ανομοιοω και μονω και ενι. και μηδε believe that any of His Power is allowed to another. For who/what 'Is' Like That God? -γηση τινι της δυναμεως εκχωρειν αλλω: γαρ τις κατ' εκεινον; Who Else Is The Cause of Life and Immorality and of The Creative-Turning-About? αιτιος ζωης, και αθνασιας και μεταβολης ; ποιητης What Else then, Is The Work of Self other than to Create? For The God is not idle, τι αλλο δε. εργον αυτου η το ποιειν; γαρ ο θεος ου αργος: since then *Everything* would be idle; for *Everything* Is Filled-Full of The God. Since αν ην αργα : γαρ απαντα του θεου . αλλ' πληρη there is no idleness at all in **The Kosmos**, nor in anything else; for the word idleness is εστιν ουδε αργια ουδαμου εν τω κοσμω ουδε εν τινι αλλω : γαρ ονομα αργια εστι empty of meaning, for both The Creator and That which comes to Be. κενον και του ποιουντος και γινομενου.

Thus Everything Must come to Be and Always and Exactly At Each Place. γινεσθαι και αει και καθ' εκαστον τοπον. 6A δει For The Creator Is *In Everything*, *not* by being situated in anything, nor by being in ο ποιων εστιν εν πασιν , ουκ ιδρυμενος εν τινι , ουδε anyone of The Creations; but by Being All, by Being Energized/Active Everywhere. , αλλα παντα , ων ενεργης πανταγου . For Power is not Self-Sufficient for those that come into existence, since those that , αλλα τα γαρ δυναμις εστι ουκ αυτααρκης γινομενοις τοις come into existence depend upon Self. γινομενα υπ' αυτω .

Surely then Behold The Kosmos Underlying Thine Sight Through Myself, **6B** θεασαι τον κοσμον υποκειμένον ση τη οψεί by Thoroughly-Intellecting in an Accurate Way The Beauty of Self; on the one hand, κατανοησον ακριβως το καλλος αυτου, Its Pure Body, and concerning which Body, there are none more Ancient, and on the ακηρατον σωμα, και ου εσται ουδεν παλαιοτερον, other hand, It Is New and In Its Prime, and It Is Even More than In Full Bloom νεον και ακμαιον και μαλλον ακμαιοτερον

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Throughout All Time.
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δια παντος.

See also The Seven Underlying Orders, that Adorn The Perpetual Order, ιδε και τους επτα υποκειμένους κοσμούς, κεκοσμημένους αιώνιω ταξεί, and Run Their Perpetual Fulfilling Courses. Therefore, Light Fills Everything, but τον αιωνα αναπληρουντας. φωτος πληρη παντα , δε και δρομω δε Fire is Nowhere to be found, for The Friendship of Contraries and The Blending πυρ ουδαμου <...> γαρ τη φιλια των εναντιων και τη συγκρασει of Opposites and Dissimilarities has given birth to The Light, which Shines forth by των εναντιων και των ανομοιων γεγονε το φως , καταλαμπομενον υπο The Energy of The God, The Generator of All Good, and The Ruler of All Order, της ενεργειας του θεου, του γεννητορος παντος αγαθου, και αρχοντος πασης ταξεως, and The Leader of The Seven Orders/Adornments/Worlds. See The Moon, The ιδε σεληνην της και ηγεμονος των επτα κοσμων Forerunner of Them All -Instrument of Nature- that Transforms The Matter Below. προδρομον εκεινων παντων, οργανον φυσεως, μεταβαλλουσαν την υλην κατω. See The Earth, Being Established In The Middle of The All, The Fixed-Foundation την γην , ιδρυμενην μεσην του παντος, of The Beautiful Kosmos, Nourisher and Nurse of those upon The Earth. Behold καλου κοσμου, τροφον του και τιθηνην των επιγειων. θεασαι then also The Multitude of Living-beings, as many as are Immortal, and Mortal, δε και οσον εστι των αθανατων , και το των θνητων , πληθος ζωων whereas Between both of Them The Moon Journeys-Around.

δε μεσην αμφοτερων την σεληνην περιπορευομενην.

Thus Everything Is Full of Soul, and She Moves Everything, Some about 8A definition $\delta \epsilon$ have alout $\delta \epsilon$ have about $\delta \epsilon$ have about The Heaven, others about The Earth. And those that lean to the right do not lean to ton our and $\delta \epsilon$ here that lean to the left lean to the right, nor do those above lean to ta arister amount $\delta \epsilon$ hat lean to the left lean to the right, nor do those above lean to ta arister amount $\delta \epsilon$ hat lean to the left lean to the right, nor do those above lean to those below nor do those below lean to those above.

κατω τα κατω ανω And that *All These* have been brought to **Be**, **O** Most-Beloved Hermes, 8B και οτι παντα ταυτα γεννητα φιλτατε Ερμη, Thou no longer needs to learn from Myself. For *They* are bodies, possess a soul, . γαρ και εστι σωματα , και εχει ψυχην , χρηζεις ουκετι μαθειν εμου and are **moved**. Then it is impossible for *These* to *Come-together into* One apart from συνελθειν και κινειται : δε αδυνατον ταυτα εις εν That which Gathers Them Together. Therefore there must be Such a Cause, and συναγοντος δει ειναι τοιουτον τινα, και του ουν

This Is Entirely One. touton hantweether touton hantweether touton touton

For The Motions are Many and Different, and the bodies are *not* Alike, γαρ των κινησεων ουσων πολλων και διαφορων, και των σωματων ουχ ομοιων,

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therefore One Order has been Arranged for All, and thus it is impossible for there to be
        μιας ταξεως τεταγμενης κατα παντων,
                                                         αδυνατον
two or more creators. For One Order could not be maintained by many creators. Since
δυο η πλειους ποιητας . γαρ μια ταξις
                                      ου
                                               τηρειται
                                                         επι
                                                                πολλων : δε
jealousy of The Superior will follow along with the many, and so will strife. And if
ζηλος < . . .> του κρειττονος παρεψεται
                                         τοις πολλοις,
                                                         και εριουσι. και ει
there were another creator of those that are transformable and mortal living-beings, then
   ην ετερος ο ποιητης
                             των
                                      μεταβλητων και θνητων
he would have also wished to create Immortals, just as the creator of The Immortals
   αν και επεθυμησεν
                       ποιησαι αθανατους, ωσπερ
                                                      o
                                                                των αθανατων
would have also wished to create mortals. Come along then, and if there are two, then
                              θνητους.
                                            3930
                                                    δε, και ει
by The Matter of The Soul Being One, to which one of Themselves would the Store-
               της ψυχης ουσης μιας, παρα τινι
                                                       αυτων
                                                                 αν
                                                                       η χορ-
House of The Creation belong? If to both, then to which one the greater part?
                            ; ει παρα ανφοτεροις, και παρα τινι το πλειον μερος;
      της ποιησεως
      Thus Intellect in this way, that the composition of every living body consists of
                             , ως την συστασιν παντος ζωντος σωματος εχοντες εξ
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Matter and Soul, and of The Immortal and the mortal, and of The Rational and of the
υλης και ψυχης , και του αθανατου και του θνητου , και του λογικου και του
irrational. For All living bodies are ensouled, whereas those that are not alive, are
αλογου . γαρ παντα ζωντα σωματα εμψυχα ,
                                                             μη ζωντα εστι
                                             δε
Matter By Herself; and similarly Soul By Herself, is The Life of Ousia Laid-up-Beside
υλη καθ' εαυτην: και ομοιως ψυχη καθ εαυτην, της ζωης ουσια παρακειμενη
The Creator. Thus The Cause of The Immortals is The Cause of The Whole of Life.
                    ο αιτιος των αθανατων
τω ποιητη.
              δε
                                                                    πας
                                                             της
Therefore, how can The Life of The Immortals be other than The Life of the mortals?
                    η ζωη των αθανατων
                                               αλλη
                                                                   των θνητων:
   ουν
                                                            τnc
How then can it be Well-maintained that The Life Created for The Immortals was not
 πως δε
                     ευλογον
                                        ζωα ποιουντα τα
                                                              αθανατα
                                                                          μŋ
also The Life Created for the mortals?
και
     ζωα
             ποιειν
                     τα θνητα
        And on the one hand, that there is A Certain Creator of These, is Clear. And
                                                   ο ποιων ταυτα , δηλον. και
        και
                             οτι
                                   εστι
                                          τις
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on the other hand, that there is only One, is Most Clear; for Soul is also One, and Life
                                 εις , φανερωτατον : γαρ ψυχη και μια , και ζωη
is One, and Matter is One. Then Who is This Very One? Who else then could It Be,
                                                     ; τις αλλος δε αν ειη ,
  μια , και υλη
                     μια. δε
                               τις
                                           ουτος
if not The One God? For Who else could Properly Make Ensouled Living-beings, if
ει μη ο εις θεος; γαρ τινι αλλω αν πρεποι ποιειν εμψυγα
                                                                   ζωα
not The Unique God? Therefore God Is One. And it is most ridiculous if you agree
        μονω θεω;
                                                    γελοιοτατον
                        ουν
                              θεος
                                      εις . και
                                                                  ωμολογησας
that on the one hand, The Kosmos is One, and that The Sun is One, and that The
                   τον κοσμον είναι ένα, και
                                                τον ηλιον ενα,
Moon is One, and that The Divinity of The Earth is One, whereas on the other hand,
σεληνην μιαν, και
                       θειοτητα
                                     την γην
                                               μιαν :
                                                                  δε
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you maintain that The God Self is one of a series! ? Therefore Self makes Everything.
               τον θεον αυτον ειναι ποστον ;
                                                   ουν αυτον ποιει παντα.
Whereas it would be most ridiculous, if The God Self were one of many!
                   γελοιοτατον
                                 , ει
                                                       πολλοι.
          And why is it so hard (to See) that The God Creates Life and Soul, and
12A
                       μεγα
                                           τω θεω ποιειν ζωην και ψυχην και
Immortality and Transformation, when Thou Does as many things? For Thou
                                        σου ποιουντος τοσαυτα ; γαρ και
αθανασιαν και
                   μεταβολην
Sees and Speaks, Hears and Smells, Touches and Walks about, and Intellects
βλεπεις, και λαλεις, και ακουεις, και οσφραίνη, και απτη, και περιπατείς, και νόεις,
and Breathes. And on the one hand, there is not one who sees, while on the other hand,
και πνεις . και
                     μεν
                                εστιν ουχ ετερος ο βλεπων,
there is another who hears, then one who speaks, but another one who touches, then one
       ετερος ο ακουων, δε ετερος ο λαλων, δε
                                                    αλλος
                                                             ο απτομένος, δε αλλος
who smells, while another one walks-about, or one who Intellects, while another one
ο οσφραινομένος, δε αλλός ο περιπάτων, και αλλός ο νόων
                                                            , και αλλος ο
breathes; since there is One who Does All these operations.
αναπνεων : αλλα
                      εις ο ποιων παντα ταυτα
         But none of these operations are possible to do apart from The God. For just
12B
        αλλα ουδε
                                 ειναι δυνατον ποιειν χωρις
                                                               τον θεον . γαρ ωσ-
                       εκεινα
as if soul were to cease Doing these functions, you would no longer be a Living-Being,
               καταργηθης
                               τουτων
                                                     ουκετι
so that in this way, if The God, were to cease Creating these —which is not Lawful
                                    καταρηθη εκεινων ,
                     ο θεος , αν
                                                                        θεμις
to say- (((he is no longer god))).
ειπειν,
         εστι ουκετι θεος.
         For if it has been shown that the human-being is not able to exist by doing
                                       ανθρωπος ου δυναμενος ειναι ποιων
13A
        γαρ ει
                   αποδεδεικται
nothing, then how much more is this True for The God? For if there is anything which
             ποσω μαλλον
                                           ο θεος; γαρει εστιν
He does not Create – which is not Lawful to say– then (((the god is imperfect))).
                           μη
                                θεμις ειπειν, και
                                                     ο θεος εστιν ατελης:
Whereas if He is not idle in anything, then He Is Perfect. Accordingly then, The God
        ει εστι μη αργος
                                             τελειος .
                                                             αρα
                                                                          ο θεος
Creates Everything.
         παντα.
 ποιει
         If Thou would Offer-up Thyself to Me for a while, O Hermes, then Thou
                        επιδως σεαυτον μοι προς ολιγον, ω Ερμη , δ'
13B
will easily Intellect that The Work of The God Is One, in order to bring into Existence
                       το εργον του θεου ον εν,
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γεγονοτα

Everything; such as Those that Exist, Those that have come to Exist at one time, and

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Those that will come to Exist; but This ,O Dearest , Is Life , but This Is The Beautiful , $\tau \alpha$ $\mu \epsilon \lambda \lambda$ $\nu \tau \alpha = 0$ $\tau \alpha$

τα γινομενα ,

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but This, Is The Good. This Is The God.
δε τουτο εστι το αγαθον . τουτο εστιν ο θεος .
        If Thou Wishes Self to Intellect and Work, then See what happens to Thee
14A
                       αυτο νοησαι και εργω, δε ιδε τι εγγινεται σοι
when Thou Wishes to beget . But this is not Like It Is with That God; for That God
                 γεννησαι . αλλ τουτο ουκ ομοιον
                                                         εκεινω : γαρ εκεινος
does not experience pleasure; for He has no other Co-worker/Partner. Accordingly
             ηδεται
                          : γαρ εχει ουδε αλλο
                                                   συνεργον
  ουχ
then, by Being Self-Working, He Is Always in His Work, by Self Being That which
                αυτουρίος, εστίν αεί εν τω έργω, αυτός ων
He Creates . For if He were separated from Self , then on the one hand , Everything
        . γαρ ει
                     χωρισθειη
                                    αυτου ,
would collapse-together, and on the other hand, Everything would necessarily perish,
                                                        αναγκη τεθνηξεσθαι,
    συμπεσεισθαι
                               36
                                              παντα
since Life would not Exist. But if Everything Is Alive, and if Life Is One, then The
                                           ζωα , και ηζωη μια , αρα ο
ως ζωης
                  ουσης .
                             ει
                                 παντα
God Is also One. And in turn, if Everything Is Alive, both Those in Heaven and also
14Β θεος και εις . και παλιν , ει παντα εστι ζωα , και
                                                       τα εν ουρανω και
Those in The Earth, then if there Is One Life for Everything that comes to Be through
                                  μια ζωη κατα παντων
 τα εν
                      36
                                                             γινεται
                                                                         υπο
          τη γη ,
The God, then Self Is also God. Accordingly then, Everything comes to Be through
                                                 παντα
του θεου, αυτη εστικαι θεος,
                                     αρα
                                                             γινεται
The God.
              Then Life is The Unification of Intellect, body and Soul. Surely then
                                            νου σωματος και ψυχης.
14C του θεου. δε ζωη εστιν
                                ενωσις
Death is not the utter-destruction of Those that have been put together, since Death Is
                                             συναχθεντων
θανατος ουκ
                  απωλεια
                                   των
                                                               . δε
                                                                        εστι
the dissolution of The Unification.
  διαλυσις
                      ενωσεως .
              της
                   Now then, The Eternity Is The Image of The God,
                 τοινυν , ο αιων
15A
                                         εικων
                                                     του θεου.
                   whereas The Kosmos Is The Image of The Eternity,
                         ο κοσμος
                                                        αιωνος,
                     whereas The Sun Is The Image of The Kosmos,
                          ο ηλιος
                                                του
                                                     κοσμου,
                   whereas The Human-being Is The Image of The Sun.
                             ανθρωπος
                                                      του ηλιου.
                  δε
      Whereas They say that The Transformation is Death, because on the one hand,
15B
                  φασιν
                           την μεταβολην ειναι θανατον, δια
the body dissolved, whereas on the other hand, The Life of Those that are dissolved
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This Is In The Way of The Logos, My Dearest Hermes, and since Thou are

την ζωην

τα

, μοι φιλτατε Ερμη , και ως ακου-

διαλυομενα

36

λογω

το σωμα διαλυεσθαι,

τουτω

χωρειν εις

withdraws into The Un-Seen.

το αφανες .

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Listening with Spiritual-Reverence, I Say that The Kosmos Is Being Transformed
                δεισιδαιμων
                                             τον κοσμον
                                                            μεταβαλλεσθαι
                                    φημι
through Eternity, by means of That Certain Part of The Life of Self that comes to Be
       αιωνος ,
                     δια
                               το
                                     τι
                                         μερος της ζωης αυτου
each Day in The Un-Seen.
                                 whereas The Kosmos Is Never dissolved. And
καθ' εκαστην ημεραν εν τω αφανει,
                                                   μηδεποτε διαλυεσθαι. και
                                    δε
Such are The Experiences of The Kosmos, Such are Its Cycles and Its Mysteries.
ταυτα εστι τα παθη
                         του
                                κοσμου,
                                            τε
                                                  δινησεις και κρυψεις:
And The One Is The Cycle that Returns, but The Other Is The Mystery of Renewal.
16Α και η μεν
                δινησις
                            στροφη,
                                           η δε
                                                         κρυψις
                                                                   ανανεωσις.
Since It Is Omni-Form, It does not maintain The Forms It Contains within Itself, since
<...> de estin pantomorfos, ou egkeimenas tas morfas
                                                        εχων
                                                                 εν εαυτω, δε
Self Is Being Trans-Formed.
αυτος
         μεταβαλλων
         Since The Kosmos has come to Be Omni-Form, therefore what would
16B
         επει ο κοσμος
                            γεγονεν
                                       πανταμορφος,
The One who Creates Be? For on the one hand, would Self not come to Be Formless.
          ποιησας ειη; γαρ
                                 μεν
                                                           γενοιτο
                                                                     αμορφος:
                                                   μη
And if on the other hand, Self Is Omni-Form, then Self will Be Like The Kosmos. But
                     αυτος παντομορφος,
                                                εσται
                                                         ομοιος τω κοσμω. αλλα
και ει
if Self Possesses One Form, According to This, Self will be less than The Kosmos.
              μιαν μορφην,
                               κατα τουτο
                                                 εσται ελαττων του κοσμου.
Therefore, what shall we declare Self to be? We must not bring around The Logos into
                   φωμεν αυτον ειναι;
                                            μη περιστησωμεν
difficulty; for we conceive no difficulty about The God. Therefore, Self Possesses One
αποριαν: γαρ νοουμενοις ουδεν απορον περι του θεου.
                                                      ουν
Idea, if Something Is The Idea of Self, which is not subject to being seen, for Self Is
            τις εστιν ιδεα αυτου, ητις ουχ υποσταιη ταις οψεσιν: γαρ
ιδεαν, ει
Incorporeal. And Self Brings to Light All Forms by means of Their bodies.
                      δεικνυσι
                                      πασας
ασωματος . και
                                                  δια
                                                         των σωματων.
         And do not be surprised if there is A Certain Incorporeal Idea; for it is just
17A
               μη θαυμασης ει εστι
                                                   ασωματος ιδεα: γαρ εστι ωσ-
                                          τις
Like The Idea of The Logos. And in paintings on the one hand, the mountain peaks
             του λογου : και εν ταις γραφαις μεν
                                                               ακρωρειαι
-περ
are seen to stand-out very sharply, while on the other hand, they are naturally quite
ορωνται εξεγουσαι
                                                      εισι τη φυσει παντελως
                     πανυ
                                          δε
smooth and flat.
λειαι και ομαλαι.
         Then by Reflecting upon The Logos that has been spoken with more Daring,
          δε
                 εννοησας
                                               λεγομενον
                                                               τολμηροτερον,
17B
                                    το
then you will more Truly Intellect The One who Contains Everything. For just Like
       αληθεστερον νοησεις
                                          περιεχοντα τα παντα . γαρ ωσπερ
                                    τον
the human-being can not Live apart from Life, so also The God can not Create
 ο ανθρωπος δυναται ου ζην χωρις ζωης, ουτως ο θεος δυναται ουδε ποιων
apart from The Good . For This Is just Like The Life and just Like The Motion
         το αγαθον . γαρ τουτο εστι ωσπερ
                                           ζωη και ωσπερ
                                                                κινησις
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of The God, to Move and to Vivify Everything. tou \theta eou, kinein kai zwopoiein ta panta.
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Thus some of The Logos being spoken have to be Reflected in a Personal Way; λεγομενων οφειλει εχειν εννοιαν 18 δε ενια των such as by Intellecting That which I now Say. For *Everything* is *In* The God; but not νυν λεγω . γαρ παντα εστιν εν τω θεω , ουχ as if It were lying In a Place/Space; for on the one hand, The Place is also A Body, κειμενα εν ο τοπος εστικαι σωμα, τοπω : γαρ μεν and Every body is Moveable, whereas on the other hand, That which Is Incorporeal και παν σωμα ασωματον κινητον , δε Is Immoveable, and those that are situated in Self do not Possess Motion; for they are εν αυτω ουκ είει κινησιν: γαρ κειακινητον , και τα κειμενα situated in another way; in bodiless imagination; for That which Intellects αλλως εν ασωματω φαντασια. τον νοησον Comprehends *Everything*. And since there is *nothing* that limits The Incorporeal, περιεχοντα τα παντα . και οτι εστι ουδεν περιοριστικον του ασωματου, nothing quicker, nothing more powerful, since Self Is The Absolute Limit of All, ουδε ταχυτερον, ουδε δυνατωτερον, δε αυτο περιοριστικον παντων, and thus, Self Is Unlimited, and The Quickest and The Most Powerful. και ον απεριοριστικον και ταχυτατον και δυνατωτατον.

And Intellect This by Thyself. Urge Thy Soul to Travel to any Land which και νοησον τουτο απο σεαυτου . κελευσον σου τη ψυχη πορευθηναι εις γην δι' ην you wish, and She will be There quicker than Thine command. Then Urge Self to go και βουλει, και εσται εκει ταχυτερον σου της κελευσεως. δε κελευσον αυτη μετελθειν to The Ocean, so also in turn She will be There at once, but not as if She had passed επι τον ωκεανον, ουτως και παλιν εσται εκει ταχεως, ουχ μεταβασα from place to place, but as Being There. Then Urge Self to also fly up to The apo topou eic topou , all' we ousa ekei . δ e keleusou auth kai anapthnai eic ton Heaven, and She will need no wings, but neither will anything impede Her, not The ουδεν εμποδιον αυτη , ουρανον, και δεηθησεται ουδε πτερων, αλλ' ουδε Fire of The Sun, not The Ether, not The Whirl of The Stars, nor That of The Other πυρ του ηλιου, ουχο αιθηρ, ουχ η δινη των αστερων ουχι τα Astral Bodies, but by cutting through All, She will Fly up as far as The Last Body. αστέρων σωματά, δε διατέμουσα πάντα αναπτήσεται μέχρι του έσχατου σωματός. And if Thou Wishes to go Beyond The Whole Self, and to Contemplate, Those that are και ει βουληθειης διαρρηξασθαι το ολον αυτο, και θεασασθαι Outside, if indeed there is Anything Outside The Kosmos, then it is allowed for Thee. εκτος , ει εκτος του κοσμου, δε εξεστι σοι.

See what Power, what Speed Thou Possesses! If then on the one hand, Thou ιδε οην δυναμιν, οσον ταχος 20A εχεις . ειτα μεν σ can do this, then on the other hand, cannot The God? Therefore, Intellect The God δυνασαι ταυτα, ου ο θεος: ουν νοησον τον θεον this way; just as if He Contains All within Himself as Thoughts; The Kosmos, τουτον τον τροπον, ωσπερ εχειν παντα εν εαυτω νοηματα, τον κοσμον,

Himself, The Whole. ϵauton , to olon.

Therefore, if you cannot make Thyself Equal to The God, then you cannot 20B σεαυτον εξισασης τω θεω, ουν εαν μη ου δυνασαι Intellect The God; for That which is Like is Intellected by The Like. Leap Beyond νοησαι τον θεον : γαρ το ομοιον νοητον των ομοιων. εκπηδησας All that is corporeal by making Thyself grow to an Immeasurable Size, Rise Above σωματος συν-σεαυτον -αυξησον τω αμετρητω μεγεθει, υπεραρας All Time by Becoming Eternal, and Thou will Intellect The God. Suppose nothing τον θεον . υποστησας μηδεν παντα χρονου γενου αιωνιος, και νοησεις to be impossible for Thyself. Regard Thyself as Immortal, and Able to Intellect σεαυτω: ηγησαι σεαυτον αθανατον, και δυναμενον νοησαι Everything; on the one hand, All The Arts, and on the other hand, All The Kinds of πασαν τεχνην, μεν Knowledge. Become the customary place of *Every* living-being, then become *Higher* -τημην . <...> ηθη παντος ζωου , δε γενου υψηλοτερος than All heights, and lower than All depths. Then Gather-together All The Oppositions παντος υψους, και ταπεινοτερος παντος βαθους: δε συλλαβε πασας τας αντιθεσεις of The Qualities In Thyself; such as of Fire, Water, of Hot and Cold, of The Dry and πυρος, υδατος, θερμου και ψυχρου, ξηρου και των ποιοτητων εν σεαυτω, The Moist . Intellect Thyself to Be Everywhere At-Once; in The Earth, in The Sea, , εν θαλαττη . νοησον ειναι πανταχη ομου , εν γη in The Heaven; having not yet come to Be, to Be in the womb, young, old, to Be dead εν ουρανω : γε - μηδεπω - γεννησθαι, ειναι εν τη γαστρι, νέος, γερων, τέθνηκεναι among those that are the dead . Intellect All these At-Once; The Times, Places, τον θανατον: νοησας παντα ταυτα ομου και, χρονους, τοπους, Actions, Qualities and Quantities; then Thou will Be Able to Intellect The God. πραγματα, ποιοτητας ποσοτητας, δυνασαι νοησαι τον θεον.

But if you lock up Thine Soul in the body, and lower Thyself, and say; de ean katakleishs sou thn yuchn en to swmati, kai tapeinoshs eauton, kai eiphs

'I can intellect nothing ; I can do nothing ; I am afraid of earth and sea ; "νοω Ουδεν , δυναμαι ουδεν : φοβουμαι γην και θαλασσαν : I can't ascend to heaven ; I don't know who I was , I don't know who I will be." ου δυναμαι αναβηναι εις τον ουρανον : ουκ οιδα τις ημην , ουκ οιδα τις εσομαι :"

What about **Thyself** and **Thy God**?

τι σοι και τω θεω;

For you are *able* to Intellect *none* Those that Are Beautiful and Good, while also being γαρ δυνασαι νοησαι ουδεν των καλων και αγαθων, και ων a lover of body and deficient.

φιλοσωματος και κακος.

For the perfect defect is that which ignores The God; whereas That which $\gamma \alpha \rho \ \eta \ \tau \epsilon \lambda \epsilon \iota \alpha \ \kappa \alpha \kappa \iota \alpha \ \tau o \ \alpha \gamma \nu o \epsilon \iota \nu \ \tau o \nu \theta \epsilon o \nu \ . \ \delta \epsilon \ \tau o$

Is Able to Intuitively-Know, and to Wish, and to Hope, Is The Immediate Road that δυνασθαι , και θελησαι , και ελπισαι , εστιν γνωναι ευθυ οδος Bears/Leads Oneself to The Good, and It Is an Easy Road for Thee to Travel. For ιδια του αγαθου, και ραδια σοι οδευοντι . φερουσα The God will come to Meet Thee Everywhere, and The God will be Seen Everywhere: συναντησει σοι πανταχου, οφθησεται πανταχου, ο θεος Where and When not being expected; While awaking from sleeping, While traveling οπου και οτε ου προσδοκας , γρηγορουντι κοιμωμενω , on a ship, **During** The Night, **During** The Day, **While** speaking, **While** being silent: σιωπωντι : πλεοντι, νυκτος ημερας, λαλουντι For there is no **Likeness/Image** which **That** is not. ο εκείνος εστίν ουκ.

γαρ εστιν ουδεν εικονι

Then do you say "The god is invisible"? Speak Well! And Who/What Is "ο θεος αορατος"; ευφημησον. και 22A More-Visible than Self? He has made All of This through Self; in order that Thou See φανερωτέρος αυτου ; πεποιηκέν παντά τουτο δι αυτο. Self through All. This Is The Good of The God; This Is The Excellence of The God, αυτον δια παντων . τουτο εστι το αγαθον του θεου , τουτο του θεου, η αρετη The Self has Come to Light through All. For there is nothing invisible, not even το αυτον φαινεσθαι δια παντων . γαρ ουδεν αορατον, ουδε Those that are Incorporeal, since The Intellect Is Seen In That which Is Intellected, ασωματων ο νους οραται εν τω The God Is Seen In That which Is Created. These things have been made clear to you ο θεος εν τω ποιειν

These Revelations, O Thrice-Great-One, I have Brought-to-Light thus far. πεφανερωται επι τοσουτον. 22B Τρισμεγιστε ταυτα Whereas Intellect by Thyself All The Rest in a similar way, and Thou will not νοει κατα σεαυτον παντα τα αλλα ομοιως , και ου be led-astray/thoroughly-deceived.

διαψευσθηση .

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12 The Logos of Thrice-Great Hermes to Tat του τρισμεγιστου Ερμου προς Τατ

Concerning The Common Intellect

περι κοινου νου

Hermes: The Intellect, O Tat, Is from The Self Ousia of The God, if indeed there Is νους , ω Τατ , εστιν εξ της αυτης ουσιας του θεου , ει γε A Certain Ousia of God; and What Kind of A Being Ousia happens to Be, Self Alone ουσια θεου: και τις ουσα τυγχανει ποια , αυτος μονος Knows Precisely. Therefore, The Intellect is not cut-off/severed from The Ousianess οιδεν ακριβως. εστιν ουκ αποτετμημένος της ουσιοτητός ουν ο νους of The God, since It Is as it were Unfolded/Stretched-out (from The God), just as του θεου, αλλ' ωσπερ ηπλωμενος The Light of The Sun. Whereas on the one hand, in human-beings This Very Intellect του ηλιου. εν ανθρωτοις ουτος ο νους το φως δε μεν **Is God**; and for which **Logos** some Humans are **Divine**, and The Humanity of These is διο τίνες των ανθρωπων είσι θείοι, και η ανθρωπότης τουτών έστι Akin to The Divinity; and since on the one hand, The Good Spirit called The Gods εγγυς της θεοτητος : και γαρ μεν ο Αγαθος Δαιμων ειπεν τους θεους Immortal Humans, whereas on the other hand, The Good Spirit called Human-beings αθανατους ανθρωπους, τους ανθρωπους 36 Whereas there is only Nature in the living-beings without The Logos. mortal gods. θνητους θεους. de estin < ... > h fusic en tois ζωοις αλογοις.

For Where there Is Soul, There also Is Intellect; just as Where there Is Life, γαρ οπου εστιν ψυγη, εκει και , ωσπερ οπου εστιν ζωη, νους There also Is Soul; whereas the life of soul is devoid of Intellect in those living-beings εκει και ψυχη: η ζωη ψυχη εστι κενη του νου without The Logos . For The Intellect Is The Benefactor of Human Souls , for It αλογοις . γαρ ο νους εστιν ευεργετης ανθρωπων ψυχων : γαρ Energizes/Activates Themselves to The Good. And on the one hand, in living-beings αυταις εις το αγαθον . και μεν without The Logos, It Co-operates with the individual nature of each one, whereas on ιδια αλογοις συνεργει τn φυσει εκαστου , the other hand, in The Souls of humans, It Counter-acts that nature. For every soul that ταις των ανθρωπων αντιπρασσει . γαρ πασα ψυχη comes to be in a body, is immediately made defective by both pain and pleasure; since γενομενη εν σωματι, ευθεως κακιζεται τε της λυπης και της ηδονης : γαρ the body is composed just as if out of boiling juices of both pleasure and pain, into συν- ωσπερ -θετου ζεουσιν χυμοι τε η λυπη και η ηδονη, εις which, the soul steps-in/embarks to be baptized/submerged/dipped/steeped. εμβασα βαπτιζεται $\alpha \varsigma$ η ψυχη

Therefore, in as many Souls Where The Intellect Is In-Charge, These Reveal

³ our osais yucais an o nous epistathsh, tautais faineinthe Brilliance of Itself, by Acting in opposition to those acquired-before by Selves . to feggo eautou, antiprassun tois prolyhhmasin autwn .

For just as A Good Physician inflicts pain by burning or cutting the body that is preγαρ ωσπερ αγαθος ιατρος λυπει καιμων η τεμνον το σωμα disposed to disease, In The Same Way, The Intellect Causes pain of the soul, -ειλημμενον υπο νοσου, και τον αυτον τροπον ο νους λυπει την ψυχην, By Drawing Self Away from pleasure, from which every disease of soul comes to be. εξυ- αυτης -φαιρων την ηδονην , αφ' ης πασα νοσος ψυχης Whereas the great disease of soul is Godlessness, next are the opinions of those that are μεγαλη νοσος ψυχης αθεοτης : επει ταις δοξαις Godless, and every kind of defect and nothing Good accompanies these. Take Notice παντα τα κακα και ουδεν αγαθον επακολουθει then, The Intellect, By Acting In Opposition to self, Keeps-Safe/Preserves/Secures αντιπρασσων αυτη, περιποιειται The Good for The Soul, just as A Good Physician Preserves The Health for the body. το αγαθον τη ψυχη, ωσπερ ιατρος την υγιειαν τω σωματι.

Thus as many human souls that do not happen to be Governed by The Intellect δε οσαι ανθρωπιναι ψυχαι ουκ ετυχον κυβερνητου του νου, undergo the same (fate) as the souls of living-beings without The Logos. For Intellect πασχουσι το αυτο των ζωων αλογων ταις becomes their Co-operator, and It gives them up to their desires, which are carried to γενομένος αυταίς συνέργος, και ανεσας τας επιθυμιας, ας φερονται εις <...> by the rushing-force of their appetite/craving/longing/yearning, that reaches-out ეთვჭვეი , συντεινουσαι ρυμη της for that which is without The Logos. And just as it is the case with the living-beings that προς το αλογον . και ωσπερ ζωων των are without The Logos, they do not cease from being angered irrationally nor from ου παυονται θυμουμεναι αλογα αλογως desiring *ir*rationally, nor can they be filled/have enough of these defects; for angers and επιθυμουσαι αλογως, ουδε εχουσι κορον των κακων: γαρ θυμοι και desires are exceedingly irrational defects. Therefore The God has Established The Law επιθυμιαι υπερβαλλουσαι αλογοι κακιαι. ο θεος επεστησε τον νομον as if It were A Corrective-Aid and A Test/Proof. ωσπερ τιμωρον ελεγχον. και

Tat: O Father, in this case, The Logos concerning Fate, which Thou has explained Ενταυθα, ο λογος περι της ειμαρμένης, ον διεξεληλυθας to me before, is in peril of being overthrown. For if it is entirely Fated that those who μοι εμπροσθεν, κινδυνευει ανατρεπεσθαι, γαρ ει παντως ειμαρται δραhave done any of the following, such as adultery, or sacrilege, or some other crime, are τωδε η μοιχευσαι, η ιεροσυλησαι, η τι αλλο κακον, those who have done the deed under the compulsion of their allotment, then why are αναγκασασης της ειμαρμενης το εργον εξ δια τι they also being Corrected? For their fate /their allotment brought about All these deeds. κολαζεται ; γαρ ειμαρμενης <...> παντα τα εργα.

Hermes: O Son , and as a result , nothing of the corporeal realm , neither good nor bad , ω teknon , kai sumbained , ouden to two sumatiken , oute agabon oute kakon ,

But now The Logos is not concerned with defectiveness and allotments, for δε νυν ο λογος ου εγον περι κακιας και ειμαρμένης on the one hand, we have spoken about these elsewhere; but now on the other hand, ειρηκαμεν περι τουτων εν αλλοις, The Logos for us is concerning Intellect; what is Intellect Able To Do, and In What ο λογος ημιν εστιν περι δυναται , και νου , τι νους Way does It Contain Differences, for on the one hand, It Exists in one way in humanενδιαφορος εν τοιοσδε ανθρω--beings, whereas It Exists in another way in living-beings without The Logos; and $-\pi$ oic, εν ηλλαγμενος εν τοις ζωοις αλογοις in turn, since on the one hand, in living-beings without The Logos It is not Beneficent; παλιν εν τοις ζωοις αλογοις εστιν ουκ ευεργετικός, οτι цεν whereas on the other hand, in human-beings It works Good, but In A Different Way, εν τοις ανθρωποις εργαζεται αγαθον, αλλ' ανομοιως, for It does not quench the anger and the desire in All human-beings. And so of these, ουκ σβεννυων το τε θυμικον και το επιθυμητικον εν πασι on the one hand, one must Intellect that there are Those who Possess The Logos, and μεν δει νοειν ελλογιμους τους on the other hand, those who are without The Logos. Whereas All human-beings αλογους δε παντες οι ανθρωποι δε τους are subject to fate; to both generation and transformation, for these processes are υποκεινται ειμαρμενη, και γενεσει και μεταβολη : γαρ ταυτα the beginning and the end of fate. αρχη και τελος ειμαρμενης.

And on the one hand, All human-beings undergo their Destinies/fates; whereas παντες ανθρωποι πασχουσι τα ειμαρμενα : on the other hand, Those that Possess The Logos, which we have said are Led by The ελλογιμοι , ων εφαμεν ηγεμονευειν τον Οl Intellect, do not experience in a similar way as the others; since by being Liberated νουν , ουκ πασχουσιν ομοιως τοις αλλοις, αλλα απηλλαγμενοι from defectiveness; They experience as Human-beings who are not defective. της κακιας πασχουσι οντες ου κακοι.

Tat: Again , O **Father** , what do you mean ? Is the adulterer not bad ? $\pi\alpha\lambda\iota\nu \,,\, \omega \,\,\pi\alpha\tau\epsilon\rho \,\,,\,\,\, \Pi\omega\varsigma \,\,\,\,\, \lambda\epsilon\gamma\epsilon\iota\varsigma \,\,\,; \qquad o \quad \text{moicos ou kakos} \,;$ Is the murderer not bad , and all the others ? $o \,\, \text{fone for all the others} \,\,;$

Hermes: No , since The One Who Possesses **The Logos** , O Son , does not happen to be Aλλ' ο ελλογιμος , ω τεκνον , ου πεισεται

an adulterer, nor a murderer, although he/she *must* undergo that which is fated; just as μοιχευσας, ουδε φονευσας, αλλ the adulterer and the murderer *must*. For it is *impossible* for a human-being to escape ο φονευσας . και εστι αδυνατον their transformation/death, just as it is also *impossible* to escape their generation/birth; μεταβολης γενεσεως , ωσπερ και whereas it is *Possible* for The One who Possesses Intellect to escape from harm/defect. δε εστι τω εχοντι νουν διεκφυγειν κακιαν .

And concerning which Logos, O Son, I have heard The Good Spirit , ω τεκνον , εγω ηκουσα του Αγαθου Δαιμονος και διο Say, that if It had brought This forth in writing, it would have much Benefitted the λεγοντος, και ει εξεδεδωκει εν εγγγραφως, πανυ ωφεληκει το race of human-beings, for That Alone, O Son, by Being The First-born God, and so γενος των ανθρωπων: γαρ εκεινος μονος, ω τεκνον, ως πρωτογονος θεος, by Over-Seeing Everything, Spoke These Truly Divine Logos. Thus indeed, I once τα παντα, εφθεγξατο αληθως θειους λογους. heard Self Say that *Everything* Is One, and especially Intelligible Bodies; since ηκουσα αυτου λεγοντος οτι τα παντα εστι εν , και μαλιστα νοητα σωματα : δε

> We Live In Power, and In Energy, and In Eternity. $\zeta\omega\mu$ duali, kai energy kai aiwn.

And that The Intellect of This Is Good, and so also Is The Soul of Self. Whereas if και ο νους τουτου εστιν αγαθος, οπερ και εστιν ψυχη αυτου: δε This Is Such as This, then there is no separation/interval among The Intelligibles. τουτου οντος τοιουτου, ουδεν διαστατον των νοητων: Therefore, since Intellect Is The Ruler of All, and by Being The Soul of The God, ουν ως νουν αρχοντα παντων, και οντα ψυχην του θεου, Intellect Is Able to Do just as It Wills. δυνατον ποιείν οπερ βουλεται.

Then Thou Intellect This Logos, and refer It to the question which Thou νοει, τουτον λον λογον και ανενεγκαι προς την πεισιν ην επυδε enquired of Me before; thus I mean about Fate. For if you carefully/accurately exclude -θου μου εν τοις εμπροσθεν, δε λεύω περί της ειμαρμένης, ύαρ έαν ακρίβως these wrangling arguments, O Son, Thou will find that The Intellect; The Soul of The τους εριστικους λογους, ω τεκνον, ευρησεις οτι ο νους η ψυχη του God, Truly Rules Over All; such as Over Fate, Over Law and Over All The Rest; θεου , αληθως επικρατει παντων , και ειμαρμενης , και νομου , και παντων των αλλων : and there is nothing impossible for Self, neither to Place A Human Soul Above Fate, ουδεν αδυνατον αυτω, ουτε θειναι ανθρωπινην ψυχην υπερανω ειμαρμενης nor if she has been neglectful, just as it happens, to subject her to Fate. And on the one αμελησασαν , απέρ συμβαίνει, θείναι υπό την ειμαρμένην. και μέν hand, I have Spoken so much of The Good Spirit in regards to The Very Best. λελεχθω ταυτα τοσουτον τοο Αγαθου Δαιμονος επι τα αριστα .

Tat: And This *Divinely*, O Father, and *Truly*, and *Beneficially*. But still, will Thou 10 Και ταυτα θείως , ω πατέρ , και αληθώς και ωφελίμως . δε ετί make This clear to me; for Thou said that The Intellect Justly Energizes In a Natural εκεινο -σαφησον μοι : γαρ ελεγες τον νουν δικην ενεργειν Way among those living-beings without The Logos, by Co-operating in the instincts / αλογοις συνεργουντα τοις ζωοις impulses of selves. But as I think, the impulses of living-beings without The Logos, αλογων. ορμαις αυτων . δε ως οιμαι, αι ορμαι των ζωων are passive-affections; but if The Intellect also Co-operates with the impulses, whereas ταις ορμαις , ει O νους και συνεργει the impulses are passive-affections, accordingly then The Intellect is also passivelyπαθη αρα νους εστικαι παθaffected, by being Co-involved (Sympathetic) with those that are passively-affected? -ητος , συγχρωματιζων ταις παθεσιν.

Hermes: Well said, O son, you ask in a *Noble Way*, thus it is **Just** for me to answer. Ευγε , ω τεκνον , πυνθανη γενναιως , δε δικαιον καμε αποκρινασθαι . **All The Incorporeals** in the body, O Son, are subject to-external-influence / to-change / παντα τα ασωματα εν σωματι, ο τεκνον, are-passive. And on the one hand, the corporeal selves are properly passive, whereas on παθητα . και τα σωματα αυτα εστι κυριως παθητα: και μεν the other hand, All The Incorporeals are The Causes of Motion. For The Incorporeal ασωματα <...> . γαρ το ασωματον Move All, whereas All that is Moved is corporeal; whereas The Incorporeals are also ασωματα κινουν παν , δε παν το κινουμενον σωμα : δε τα Moved by The Intellect; whereas Motion is passive. Therefore both That which Moves κινειται υπο του νου : δε κινησις παθος : ουν αμφοτερα το κινουν and that which is being moved are affected; One Governs while the other is governed. κινουμενον πασγει, το μεν αργον, το δε And so that on the one hand, by **The Intellect** being in the body **It** is affected, whereas μεν ο νους ων εν σωματι εστιν παθητος, και ωστε on the other hand, when You are Liberated from the body, You are also Freed from that του σωματος, και απηλλαγη απαλλαγεις which is affected. But rather, O Son, at one time nothing is unaffected, since All things δε μαλλον, ω τεκνον, ποτε ουδεν απαθες , δε παθους . are affected. Thus the passive experience is different from That which experiences. For παθητα . δε παθος διαφερει παθητου The One is Active, while the other is passive; for the corporeal bodies are Activated by το δε πασχει: δε τα σωματα ενεργει καθ' το μεν ενεργει, Selves. For they are either unmoved or moved; however in both cases there will indeed αυτα . γαρ εστιν ακινητα η κινειται: δε οποτερον exist the experience. Therefore Those that are Incorporeal are Always Activated, and δε τα ασωματα αει ενεργειται , και because of this They are affected/passive. Therefore do not let these terms disturb Thee; παθητα . ουν μη αι προσηγοριαι ταρραττετωσαν σε: for both The Energy/Action and the experience are The Same; thus it does no harm γαρ τε ενεργεια και το παθος εστιν ταυτον : δε ου λυπει

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χρησασθαι τω
                     ευφημοτερω
                                          ονοματι.
Tat: Thou has Imparted The Logos Most-Clearly, O Father.
                          τον λογον Σαφεστατα , ω πατερ.
         αποδεδωκας
Hermes: Then also See This, O Son, that The God has Favored the human-being with
           δε ορα Κακεινο , ω τεκνον , οτι ο θεος
                                                                     τω ανθρωπω
                                                     εχαρισατο
these Two Gifts Beyond All the mortal living-beings; with Intellect and The Logos;
                 παρα παντα τα θνητα
                                                     , τε τον νουν και τον λογον,
ταυτα δυο
                                            ζωα
by both being Equally-Valued as much as Immortality; since The Gift that is Offered
                 ισοτιμα
                                          τη αθανασια:
                                                           δε
                                                                    τον προφορικον
is Spoken. Therefore if one will use These Gifts in relation to That which one Should,
                                        τουτοις
                     ει τις χρησαιτο
                                                                                δει
then one will be no different from The Immortals, or rather, one will only differ by
                                   των αθανατων, δε μαλλον
                ουδεν διοισει
                                                                   μονον διοισει
being in the body, but upon departing the body, one will be Guided by both Intellect
ειναι εν τω σωματι, και εξελθων εκ του σωματος, οδηγηθησεται υπο
                                                                             αμφο-
and The Logos to The Realm/Place of The Gods and The Blessed.
    -τερων
              εις την
                                       των θεων και
                            χορον
                                                          μακαρων.
Tat: Whereas do not the other living-beings use Logos, O Father?
                    Τα αλλα
13Α γαρ
               ου
                                  ζωα
                                          χρηται λογω, ω πατερ;
Hermes: No, Son, since they make sounds. Since Logos differs greatly from sounds.
                                               δε λογος διαφερει παμπολυ φωνης:
       Ου , τεκνον , αλλα
                                     φωνη .
For on the one hand, The Logos is Common to All humans, whereas on the other hand,
                       ο λογος κοινος παντων ανθρωπων,
                                                                           δε
each kind of living-being has its own particular sound.
εκαστου γενους ζωου εστι
                                   ιδια
                                                φωνη.
Tat: But this is also the case for humans, O Father; for The Logos of each race differs.
                       των ανθρωπων, ω πατερ, ο λογος κατα εκαστον εθνος διαφορος.
    Αλλα
Hermes: On the one hand, The Language is different, O Son; while on the other hand,
                             η διαλεκτος Διαφορος , ω τεκνον ,
                                                                           δε
The Human Race is One, and in this way The Logos is One; and when The Logos
  ο ανθρωπος
                     εις, και ουτω
                                            ο λογος εστι εις :
                                                                           μεθερμη-
is Translated, It is also found to be The Self Same in Egypt, in Persia and in Hellas.
                                        ο αυτος και εν Αιγυπτω και Περσιδι και Ελλαδι .
  -νευεται,
                 και
                        ευρισκεται
Therefore The Logos is The Image of The Intellect, and The Intellect is The Image
            ο λογος εστιν εικων
  ουν
                                     του
                                             νου
                                                     , και ο
                                                                 νους
of The God.
του θεου.
                 For The Blessed God; The Good Spirit said that The Soul is in the body,
13Β γαρ ο μακαριος θεος
                                Αγαθος Δαιμων εφη μεν ψυχην ειναι εν σωματι,
            whereas The Intellect is in The Soul, whereas The Divine Logos is in The Intellect.
                                                    θεον λογον
    δε
              νουν
                                ψυχη,
                                           36
                                                                           τω νω .
                             Therefore The God of These is The Father.
14A
                                τον θεον τουτων
                                                        πατερα
                     Therefore The Logos is also The Image of The Divine Intellect,
                        ο λογος εστιν και εικων
                                                         του θεου
              ουν
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to employ the more-favorable/prosperous term/name.

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and thus the body is the image of The Idea,
                    και δε το σωμα
                                                  της ιδεας,
                       whereas The Idea is The Image of The Soul.
                             η ιδεα
                                                  της ψυχης .
          Thus on the one hand, The Finest/Lightest/Purest Part of Matter is Air,
                                      λεπτομερεστατον της υλης εστιν αηρ,
       ουν
               μεν
                         whereas The Finest Part of Air is Soul,
                                             αερος ψυχη,
                       whereas The Finest Part of Soul is Intellect.
                                            ψυχης
                                                       νους.
                       whereas The Finest Part of Intellect is God.
               And on the one hand, The God is About All and Through All,
                                   ο θεος περι παντα και δια παντων,
            και
                whereas on the other hand, The Intellect is About The Soul,
                        36
                                         ο νους
                                                    περι την ψυχην,
                           whereas The Soul is About The Air,
                                 η ψυχη περι τον αερα,
                          whereas The Air is About The Matter.
                         δε
                                o ano
                                       περι
                                              την υλην.
             Thus, Necessity and Providence and Nature are The Instruments
14B
                 αναγκη και η προνοια και η φυσις εστι
     Of The Administration of The Kosmos, and Of The Arrangement of The Matter.
           διοικησεως
                         του κοσμου , και της
                                                       ταξεως
                                                                   της υλης.
   της
            And on the one hand, Each One of The Intelligibles is One Ousia,
14C
                                            των νοητων εστιν εν ουσια,
                               εκαστον
          και
               whereas on the other hand, Ousia is The Sameness of Selves;
                      δε
                                      ουσια
                                                η ταυτοτης
                                                              αυτων:
                     while each one of the bodies of The All is Many.
                 δε εκαστον των σωματων του παντος εστιν πολλα.
       And The Matter is One; for The Incomposite Bodies Contain The Sameness,
                      μια : γαρ τα ασυνθετα σωματα εχεται της ταυτοτητος,
    και η
                  and They Cause The Transformation into Each Other,
              και ποιουμενα την
                                      μεταβολην
                                                         αλληλα ,
                                                    εις
                      by Always Preserving Their Indestructible Sameness.
                 αει
                                     την αφθαρσιαν της ταυτοτητος.
                 Thus there is Number in Each and All of the other compound bodies.
                     αριθμος εκαστου πασι τοις αλλοις συνθετοις σωμασιν.
           For it is impossible for combination (+) or composition or dissolution (-) to come to Be
15Α γαρ αδυνατον
                                      η συνθεσιν η διαλυσιν
                                                                      γενεσθαι
                      συστασιν
                                      without Number.
                                 χωρις αριθμου.
                  Thus The Monads/Unities Bring forth and Increase The Number,
                                    γεννωσι
                                              και αυξουσι τον αριθμον,
          δε
              αι
                       εναδες
          and again in turn Receive Its Dissolution into Themselves, while Matter remains One.
                δεχονται διαλυομένον εις
      παλιν
                                              εαυτας . και η υλη
και
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Therefore, This Whole Kosmos, This Great God,
15B
                         ουτος συμπας ο κοσμος, ο μεγας θεος,
                   δε
         is also The Image of The Greater God, and, by Being United with That,
                         του
                                 μειζονος , και
                                                    ηνωμενος
               εικων
      και
             also Preserves The Order According to The Will of The Father.
                                        κατα την βουλησιν του πατρος,
               σωζων
                         την ταξιν
         και
                              Is The Abundance of The Life;
                        εστι
                                πληρωμα
                                              της ζωης:
           And there is nothing In This -neither of The Whole nor of The Part-
              εστιν ουδεν εν τουτω, ουτε του παντος ουτε κατα των μερος,
                           that were Established from The First.
                           καταστασεως
                                           απο της πρωτης,
             which does not Live, throughout All of the infinite cycles of Time.
                                  δια παντος του
                  ουχι
                         ζη,
                                                           αιωνος
    For there is nothing dead in The Kosmos that has either come to be, or is, or will be.
             ουδε νεκρον εν τω κοσμω
γαρ
                                           ουτε
                                                     γεγονεν ουτε εστιν ουτε εσται.
           For The Father Willed that Self Should Subsist to Sustain Existence;
        γαρ ο πατηρ ηθελησεν αυτον
                                                 εστ' συνεστηκη ειναι:
                                         αν
              and for which Logos The Kosmos Must Necessarily Be Divine.
                                                             ειναι θεον.
          και
                    διο
                                                 αναγκη
        How then, O Son, could it be possible for anything to be dead, in This God;
                                               ειναι νεκρα
    \pi\omega \zeta oun, \omega teknon, \omega
                               δυναιτο
                                                               , εν τω θεω ,
16
                 in The Image of The Father; in The Abundance of Life?
            εν τη εικονι του πατρος, εν τω πληρωματι της ζωης;
               For death is destruction, but destruction is to perish absolutely.
         γαρ η φθορα εστιν νεκροτης, δε η φθορα
                                                         απωλεια .
    How then can any part of The Indestructible be destroyed, or any part of God perish?
  πως ουν δυναται τι μερος του αφθαρτου
                                             φθαρηναι , η τι του θεου απολεσθαι;
      Tat: O Father, then do not the living-beings in Self die, which are parts of Self?
      ω πατηρ, ουν Ουκ
                               τα ζωα εν αυτω αποθνησκαι, οντα μερη αυτου;
                     Hermes: Speak in an Advantageous Way, O Son!
                                   Ευφημησον
                                                       , ω τεκνον ,
         For Thou are being misled by the terms applied to that which comes to be.
             πλανωμενος
                                       προσηγορια
                                                        του
                                                                 γινομενου.
                                τη
    For the living-beings do not die, but by being compound bodies, they are dissolved.
                 ου αποθνησκει , αλλ' ως
                                             συνθετα σωματα
                                                                    διαλυεται.
 γαρ
         Whereas the dissolution is not death, but it is the dissolution of a mixture;
             η διαλυσις εστιν ου θανατος, αλλα
                                                      διαλυσις
                                                                  κραματος:
        thus they are dissolved so as not to be destroyed, but in order to be Renewed.
                           ιν' ουχ
     \delta \varepsilon
             διαλυεται
                                      αποληται
                                                  , αλλ' ινα γενηται νεα.
                    Since What Is The Energy/Activity of Life? Is It not Motion?
            επει τις εστιν η
                                ενεργεια της ζωης; ουχι κινησις;
                      What then in The Kosmos is Immobile? Nothing, O Son!
                                         ακινητον; ουδεν, ω τεκνον.
               τι ουν εν τω κοσμω
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Tat: Does not The Earth appear *Immobile* to Thee, O Father? 17 Ουδ' δοκει ακινητος σοι , ω πατερ; η γη Hermes: No Son! Since She *Alone* is Full-of-Motion, and She is Stationary as well. Ου τεκνον, αλλα μονη πολυκινητος και στασιμος ηδε. How could it not be absurd if The Nurse of All; The Producer and Begetter of All were πως αν ουκ ειη γελοιον την τροφον παντων την φυουσαν και γεννωσαν τα παντα είναι without-Motion? For it is impossible for The One who Produces anything to Produce ακινητον ; γαρ αδυνατον φυοντα φυειν without Motion. Thus it is most absurd to enquire, if the fourth part/element, Earth, χωρις κινησεως . δε γελοιοτατον επυθον , ει το τεταρτον μερος will be *idle*; for that body that is *without*-Motion signifies nothing other than *idleness*. εσται αργον : γαρ το σωμα ακινητον σημαινει ουδεν ετερον η αργιαν.

Now then, O Son, Know that All The Being in The Kosmos, without exception, τοινυν, ω τεκνον, ισθιπαν το ον καθολικως 18 κοσμω is **Moving** either by decreasing or by increasing; but that which is **Moving** is also Alive. μειωσιν αυξησιν : δε το κινουμενον η η But All that lives is not Necessarily Always The Self/Same; for on the one hand, while δε παν το ζωον ειναι ουκ αναγκη αει το αυτο : γαρ ομου The Kosmos as a Whole Is Unchanging, O Son, on the other hand, All The Parts ο κοσμος συμπας εστι αμεταβλητος, ω τεκνον, δε παντα τα μερη of Self are changing, so that nothing is perishable or being destroyed; but the terms that φθαρτον η απολλυμενον : δε αι προσηαυτου μεταβλητα, δε ουδεν are applied confuse humans. For generation is **not** The Source of Life, but that of -γοριαι ταραττουσιν τους ανθρωπους . γαρ η γενεσις εστι ου αρχη ζωης , αλλ' η perception; nor is death The Source of Transformation, but that of forgetfulness. αισθησεως : ουδε θανατος η μεταβολη , αλλα Now then since these particulars have to be in this way, *Everything* Is Immortal; such τουτων εχοντων ουτως , παντα as The Matter, The Life, The Breath, The Soul and The Intellect; from which, η υλη , η ζωη, το πνευμα , η ψυχη , ο νους , εξ All that Is Alive has been composed-together; according to which All that Lives Is παν ζωον συνεστηκε παν ζωον αρα Immortal by means of The Immortality of Selves. αθανατον την αθανασιαν αυτων. But the human-being more than all; for the human-being is also **Receptive** 19 δε ο ανθρωπος μαλλον παντων, και δεκτικος of The God and Shares-of-Ousia with The God. For The God is only Friends-with του θεου και συνουσιαστικος θεω. γαρ ο θεος μονω τω this living-being; on the one hand, through Dreams by Night, and on the other hand, τουτω τω ζωω, μεν δ_1 ονειρων νυκτος ,

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through Symbols by Day, and through All these Ways and Means Self Foretells
  δια συμβολων ημερας, και
                                                παντων
                               δια
                                                              αυτω προλεγει
the things that will be; by birds, by sacrificial organs, by the breath and by the oak; and
       μελλοντα , δια ορνεων , δια σπλαγχνων , δια πνευματος , δια δρυος : και
for which Logos humans proclaim that they know of things past, present and future.
διο ο ανθρωπος επαγελλεται επιστασθαι τα προγεγενημενα και ενεστωτα και μελλοντα.
     But also See this, O Son, that each one of the living-beings habitually-return-to
20Α δε ορα κακείνο, ω τέκνον, οτι εκαστον
                                               των ζωων
                                                                  επιφοιτα
one part of The Kosmos; on the one hand, the aquatic-beings return to the water, while
ενι μερει του κοσμου,
                             μεν
                                        τα
                                               ενυδρα
                                                                 τω υδατι,
on the other hand, the terrestrial-beings return to the earth, and in turn the sky-borne
                                                                  τα μεταρσια
                         χερσαια
                                              τη γη ,
return to the air; but the human-being Uses All these -earth, water, air and Fire-
       τω αερι: δε ο ανθρωπος χρηται πασι τουτοις , γη , υδατι , αερι , πυρι:
thus humans also See Heaven, thus they Touch even This, if they will but Perceive.
           και ορα ουρανον, δε απτεται και τουτου
                                                             αισθησει
                   Since The God Is both Around All and Through All.
20B
                                και περιπαντα και δια παντων.
                       For The God Is Energy/Activity and Power.
                            εστι
                                      ενεργεια
                                                      δυναμις.
                   γαρ
                 And there is nothing difficult to Intellect The God, O Son,
             και εστι ουδεν δυσκολον νοησαι τον θεον, ω τεκνον,
                       if Thou but Wishes, and Contemplates Self;
                                              θεωρησαι αυτον.
                   ει
                         δε θελεις
                                     . και
       Behold The Order of The Kosmos and The Good Ornamentation of The Order,
2.1
                      του κοσμου και
     ιδε
           την ταξιν
                                              ευκοσμιαν
                                                                 της ταξεως:
              Behold how All those that are Visible , Are Visible by Necessity ,
                1δε
                         των
                                φαινομενων
                                                         την αναγκην,
     Behold that those that have come to Be and are coming to Be, Exist by Providence.
                                       τε και γινομενων
                                                                  την προνοιαν:
   και
             των
                        γεγονοτων
                       Behold The Matter Being Most Full of Life,
                           την υλην ουσαν πληρεστατην ζωης:
                          Behold The God of such a Great Age,
                        ιδε τον θεον
                                            τηλικουτον
                Moving-along with All Those that Are Good and Beautiful;
             κινουμένον μετα παντών των ενοντών αγαθών και κάλων
                           Gods and Spirits and Human-beings.
                       θεων τε και δαιμονων και ανθρωπων.
Tat: But these, O Father, are wholly/entirely/altogether Activities/Energies.
   Αλλ' ουται, ω πατερ, εισιν
                                    ολως
                                                          ενεργειαι .
Hermes: Therefore, if They are wholly Activities/Energies, O Son,
                        εισιν
                               ολως
                                          ενεργειαι
                                                       , ω τεκνον ,
           ουν
              then by Whom are They Energized/Activated, by another god?
                                  ενεργουνται
                                                      υπο αλλου θεου ;
           ουν υπο τινος
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Or does Thou fail to Realize that just as
                                                οτι ωσπερ
                                    αγνοεις
           Heaven and Earth and Water and Air are The Parts of The Kosmos,
       ουρανος και γη και υδωρ και αηρ εισιν μερη
                                                           του κοσμου,
                               so also in the self/same way
                                    τον αυτον τροπον
      Life, Immortality, Destiny, Necessity, Providence, Nature, Soul and Intellect
ζωη και αθανασια και ειμαρμενη και αναγκη και προνοια και φυσις και ψυχη και νους
                      Are The Members/Limbs/Parts of The God?
                  εστι
                                                  του θεου:
       and that The Permanence/Continuity of All These Beings is called The Good?
                                      παντων τουτων λεγομενον το αγαθον.
     και
                        διαμονη
                 And so there is not anything of those that are coming to be
             και ετι εστι ουκ
                                  τι
                                           των
                                                       γινομενων
              or of those that have come to be anywhere, that is not The God.
                                                   εστινουκ ο θεος.
          η
                των
                         γεγονοτων
                                         οπου
                 Tat: In that case, Is The God in The Matter, O Father?
22
                                                  υλη ,ω πατερ;
                       ουν
                                         Εν τη
            Hermes: For is The Matter something separate from God, O Son,
                 γαρ εστιν Η υλη
                                                          θεου, ω τεκνον,
                                      τι
                                              χωρις
                        in order that a place be set-apart for Self?
                                 τοπον απομερισης αυτη;
     What then does Thou think self could be except a formless-heap, if not Energized?
    τι δε
                          αυτην αν ειναι η
                                                   σωρον , μη ενεργουμενην;
                But if Self is Energized, then by Whom is Self Energized?
                      ενεργειται
                                 , υπο τινος
                                                      ενεργειται;
              For we said that The Energies are Members/Parts of The God.
                                                           του θεου.
                          τας ενεργειας ειναι
          γαρ
                εφαμεν
                                               μερη
                   Therefore, by Whom are All Living-beings Vivified?
                          υπο τινος παντα
                                          τα ζωα ζωοποιειται;
   By Whom are Immortals Immortalized? By Whom are The Transformed Transformed?
υπο τινος τα αθανατα αθανατιζεται; υπο τινος
                                                   τα μεταβλητα μεταβαλλεται;
                  Thus, whether you speak of Matter, or Body or Ousia,
                36
                                      υλην, ειτε σωμα, ειτε ουσιαν
                       ειτε
                               φης
                  Realize that These are also The Energies of The God,
                      ταυτας ουσας και
                                          ενεργειας
                                                       του θεου:
         for it Is The God that also Energizes The Physical Nature of The Matter,
              ο θεος
                               ενεργει την
                                                υλοτητα
     γαρ
                        και
                                                              της υλης,
                       and The Corporeal Nature of The Bodies,
                   και την
                               σωματοτητα
                                              των σωματων,
    and The Ousian-(Recursive/Transformative/Essential/Real)-Nature of The Ousia.
                               ουσιοτητα
                                                                   της ουσιας.
και την
        And This Is The God, The All; but in The All there is nothing which is not.
23A kai touto estin o \thetaeoc , to \pian : de en tw \pianti estin ouden
                                                                ο εστιν μη.
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Whence there is neither Size , Place , Quality , Shape nor Time beside The God , οθεν εστι ουτε μεγεθος ουτε τοπος ουτε ποιητης ουτε σχημα ουτε χρονος παρα τον θεον: for Self Is All ; since The All Is Throughout All and Around All .

γαρ εστι παν , δε το παν δια παντων και περι παντα .

Worship and Serve This Logos , O Son .

23B προσκυνει και θρησκευε τουτον τον λογον , ω τεκνον .

There is but One Service of The God : by not missing The Mark .

εστι δε μια θρησκεια του θεου , μη κακον ειναι .
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13 The Logos of Thrice-Great Hermes to His Son Tat [On Guard] του τρισμεγιστου Ερμου προς τον υιον Τατ [εν ορει]

The Hidden Logos Concerning Regeneration [and Commands Silence] αποκρυφος λογος περι παλιγγενεσιας [και επαγγελιας σιγης]

Tat: The General Logos, O Father, about The Divinity Being Examined/Unfolded , ω πατερ , περι θειοτητος Εν διαλεγομενος were Revealed *Enigmatically* and *not Clearly*; for Thou has Uncovered *nothing* by εφρασας αινιγματωδως και ου τηλαυγως : γαρ απεκαλυψας ουκ saying 'no one can be saved prior to The Regeneration'. And after Thou Discoursed φαμένος μηδενά δυνάσθαι σωθηναί προ της παλιγγένεσιας, τε μέτα σε διάλεχθηναι with Myself, upon *The Crossing-over* of The Boundary, I came to Seek Thine Help επι της μεταβασεως του ορους γενομένου ικέτου σου by asking to Learn The Logos of Regeneration, for only this, above all, I know not. πυθομένου μαθείν τον λογός της παλιγγένεσιας, ότι μονόν τουτον παρά παντά αγνόω, And Thou said; 'Thou are not yet Resolved To Offer-up-Thyself To My-Self, παραδιδοναι εφης 'ουπω ηξιωσας και when the time comes to estrange Thyself from The Kosmos, I shall Impart It. απαλλοτριουσθαι του κοσμου παραδωσω .' But I have already become effectually-prepared, and I have estranged The Spirit/Mind ηδη εγενομην ετοιμος , και απηλλοτριωσα το φρονημα in my Self from the deceit of The Kosmos. Therefore, Restore All that I am lacking, εν εμοι απο της απατης του κοσμου : δε αναπληρωσον τα μου υστερηματα that Thou also said, Thou would Impart by setting Regeneration before me either by και εφης, συ παραδουναι προ- παλιγγενεσιαν -θεμενος open declaration or secretly. I do not know, O Thrice Great One, from what sort/kind η κρυβην. αγνοω , ω τρισμεγιστε of mother's womb, or from what kind of seed, can the human-being be Regenerated. ποιας σπορας, αν ανθρωπος αναγεννηθειη. μητρας

Hermes: O Son , **Wisdom** is The Mother's Womb , Being Conceived in **Silence** , $2 \qquad \Omega \text{ τεκνον} \text{ , σοφια} \qquad \eta \text{ μητρα} \qquad , \qquad \text{κυουσα} \qquad \text{εν σιγη} \text{ ,} \\ \text{ and } \textbf{The Authentic Good} \text{ is The Seed} \text{ .} \\ \text{και το αληθινον αγαθον} \qquad \eta \text{ σπορα} \text{ .}$

Tat: *Who* is The One that Sows , O Father ? For I am all together at a loss. Τινος σπειραντος , ω πατερ; γαρ το συνολον απορω.

Hermes: The Will of The God , O Son . Tou θεληματος του θεου , ω τεκνον .

Tat: Also tell me this; *Who* is The Effective-Cause of **The Regeneration**; και Λεγε μοι τουτο; τις τελεσιουργος της παλιγγενεσιας;

Hermes: The Human Child of **The God**; The One Who Serves **The Will** of **God**. ανθρωπος παις του θεου, ο εις υπουργων θεληματι θεου.

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Tat: And from where is The Begotten One, O Father?
   Και ποταπος (ποδαπος) ο γεννωμενος , ω πατερ ;
Hermes: The Begotten One will be Another, Divine Son of God; The All, In All;
           ο γεννωμενος εσται Αλλος , θεος παις θεου , το παν , εν παντι ;
          for there is no Portion of The Ousia and of The Intelligible in My-Self,
                             της ουσιας και της
                                                     νοητης εν
      γαρ εστι αμοιρος
    by Possessing, The Portion of All The-Powers-that-Live-Together-In-Communion.
                 μοιραν εκ πασων δυναμεων
                                                          συνεστως
Tat: Thou speaks in riddles to me. O Father, and not as Father would speak to son.
                 Αινιγμα μοι , ω πατερ , και ουχ ως πατηρ
3
      Λεγεις
                                                             διαλεγη
Hermes: This Is The Genus that cannot be taught, O Son, since It will be Remembered
                            ου διδασκεται , ω τελνον, αλλ
        Τουτο
                 το γενος
                                                              αναμιμνησκεται
                       By The Will of The God, When God Wills.
                                 του θεου, οταν
                   υπο
                                                      θελη
Tat: Thou speaks of impossibilities that are also overwhelming for me, O Father.
                                                           μοι , ω πατερ.
                   Αδυνατα
                                             βεβιασμενα
                                    και
For which Logos in relation to this, I have the right to ask in turn "Accordingly then,
                 προς ταυτα
                                   εχω ορθως
                                                 αντειπειν "
is the son a foreigner by nature to The Genus of The Father?" Do not bear me ill-will,
          αλλοτριος πεφυκα
                               του γενους πατρικου;"
                                                           μη φθο- μοι -νει,
Father, I am Thine Legitimate Son. Explain to me The Way of The Regeneration.
πατερ : ειμι γνησιος (Rep 587C) υιος : διαφρασον μοι τον τροπον της παλιγγενεσιας .
Hermes: What I say, O Son, is that This Genus cannot be taught, nor is This a molded
         Τι ειπω, ω τεκνον, τουτο το πραγμα ου διδασκεται, ουδε τουτω τω πλαστω
element, which is seen through Thine sight. I have nothing to say, except this;
στοιχειω, ου εστιν ιδειν δι'
                              συ ορας . εχω
                                                ουκ λεγειν πλην τουτο:
    Through Beholding that A Certain/Definite Unmolded Idea has come to Be in Myself
                                         απλαστον ιδεαν γεγενημένην εν εμοι
             ορων
                             from The Compassion of God,
                                   ελεου
                                                θεου.
                and I have Passed-through Myself into An Immortal Body;
                    διεξεληλυθα
                                     εμαυτον εις
                                                   αθανατον σωμα:
       and now, I am not that which I was before, since I have been born in Intellect,
                                     πριν , αλλ'
                                                     εγεννηθην εν
   και νυν
             ειμι ουγ
                                                                      νω,
                   and so, my first composite form has been dissolved.
                και το μοι πρωτον συνθετον ειδος
                                                   διαλελυται .
                I no longer possess color or measure and cannot be touched;
             ουκετι κεχρωματισμαι και μετρον και
                                                            αφην ,
                                                     εχω
                             since I am a Stranger to these.
                          δε ειμι αλλοτριος τουτων.
               Now Thou sees Me and Everything with Thine eyes, O Son,
                   ορας
                          με και
                                               οφθαλμοις , ω τεκνον,
           νυν
                                    παντων
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whereas as many as Thou Understands by gazing intently, Thou will see corporeally,
    36
                                        ατενιζων
            οσα
                         κατανοεις
                                                          ορασει
                                                                     σωματικη.
                    Now I am not Beheld by such eyes as these, O Son.
               νυν ουκ θεωρουμαι τοι- οφθαλμοις -ουτοις, ω τεκνον.
Tat: Thou has plunged me -not a little- in the Madness and Frenzy of Minds, O Father;
                     με ουκ ολιγην Εις μανιαν και οιστρησιν φρενων, ω πατερ.
        ενεσεισας
                              For now I do not see Myself?
                           γαρ νυν ουχ ορω εαυτον;
Hermes: If only Thou had also Passed-through Thyself, O Son,
         Ειθε
                             διεξεληλυθεις σεαυτον, ω τεκνον,
                      και
          in order that Thou had seen, not as those who in their sleep are dreaming,
                                , μη ως
                                           οι
                                                 εν υπνω ονειροπολουμενοι,
         ινα
               but as one who is apart/without/separate from sleep (Awake).
           αλλα
                                                   υπνου .
                                   χωρις
Tat: Tell me this also, who is The Generating-Cause of The Regeneration?
                                γενεσιουργος
  Λεγε μοι τουτο και : τις εστι
                                                   της παλιγγενεσιας;
Hermes: The Human Son of The God, by The Will of God.
        Ο ανθρωπος παις του θεου εις θεληματι θεου.
Tat: Now the rest has reduced me into the speechlessness, O Father, of Those Minds
    Νυν το λοιπον ηνεγκας με εις
                                        αφασιαν
                                                    , ω πατερ . των φρενων
Thou left behind before . For I See that Thine Greatness/Magnitude , O Father ,
                πριν . γαρ βλεπω το σον
                                                μεγεθος
  απολειφθεις
                                                               , ω πατερ,
                  along with Thine Character Remains The Self Same.
                           τω χαρακτηρι
                 συν
                                                     το αυτο
Hermes: In this Thou are also deceived . For the mortal form changes day by day,
                            ψευδη : γαρ το θνητον ειδος αλλασσεται καθ' ημεραν :
        εν τουτω
            for Time Turns-about by Increasing and Decreasing, by being false.
         γαρ γρονω τρεπεται εις αυξησιν και μειωσιν , ως ον ψευδος.
Tat: What then is True/Real, O Thrice Great One?
     Τι ουν εστιν αληθες , ω
                                τρισμεγιστε;
Hermes: That which is not obscure/muddy, O Son, That which is not limited/bounded,
                          θολουμενον, ω τεκνον, το
                   un
                                                             μη περιοριζομενον,
The Colorless, The Formless, The Changeless, The Naked, The Luminous, The Self
το αχρωματον, το ασχηματιστον, το ατρεπτον, το γυμνον, το
                                                             φαινον , το αυτω
Apprehensible, The Unchangeable, The Incorporeal Good.
καταληπτον, το αναλλοιωτον, το ασωματον το αγαθον.
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Tat: I am *Truly Frantic/Raging-Mad*, O **Father**, for *Myself* was expecting that by **Thee** οντως Μεμηνα , ω πατερ , γαρ μου δοκουντος υπο σου

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my senses have become blocked.
                      αι αισθησεις ενεφραχθησαν(φρασσω).
Herm: It Has to be in this way, O Son. On the one hand, it falls to the senses to perceive
                   Ουτως , ω τεκνον,
                                                        υποπιπτει
                                                                        αισθησει
                                          μεν
         εχει
                  that which rises like Fire and that which falls like Earth.
                το ανωφερες ως πυρ και
                                            κατωφερες
                                                         ως γη
             and that which is moist like Water and that which breathes like Air,
                         υγρον ως υδωρ και
                                                      συμπνοον ως αηρ
         και
        whereas on the other hand, how will these senses sensibly Intellect in this way
                                                 αισθητως νοησεις ουτω
               δε
                                      τουτοις
                              πως
                                  That which Is Unlike
                                          ανομοιον
                     That which is not hard, That which is not liquid,
                           μη σκληρον,
                                             το
                                                      μη υγρον,
              That which is not bound-fast, That which is not being dissolved,
                        ασφιγγωτον
                                                  μη διαλυομενον,
                                         το
                  That which Is only Intellected by Its Power and Energy;
                         μονον νοουμενον
                                              δυναμει και ενεργεια,
       but This Requires The Ability to Intellect The Incorporeal Generation In God.
     δε του δεομενον δυναμενου
                                 νοειν
                                            το ασωματον την γενεσιν εν θεω;
Tat: Therefore I am unable . O Father .
7A
       ουν ειμι αδυνατος, ω πατερ;
Hermes: May it not come to be, O Son. Withdraw into Yourself, and It shall come;
                   γενοιτο , ω τεκνον . επισπασαι εις εαυτον , και ελευσεται :
Be Willing, and It will Be. Leave idle the senses of the body, and The Generation
θελησον , και γινεται . καταργησον τας αισθησεις του σωματος , και η γενεσις
of The Divinity will Be. Thou must Cleanse Thyself from the avengers of matter
7Β της θεοτητος εσται . <...δει> καθαραι σεαυτον απο της τιμωριων υλης
of those without The Logos.
 των
             αλογων
Tat: Do avengers have to exist within myself, O Father?
   γαρ Τιμωρους
                              εν εαυτω, ω πατερ;
                  ωχ3
Hermes: Its kinds are not few, O Son, since they are both many and fearsome.
               Ουκ ολίγους, ω τέκνον, αλλα και πολλούς και φοβέρους.
Tat: I am ignorant of them, O Father.
         Αγνοω
                        , ω πατερ .
Hermes: Self ignorance, O Son, is one of the kinds of avengers. The second is pain;
       η αυτη αγνοια, ω τεκνον, Μια
                                                τιμωρια .
                                                             δευτερα λυπη:
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I would have become Wise, but when **Thou** puts **This Thought** before **Myself**

γεγονεναι

σοφου, προ- τουτου του νοηματος -βληθεντος μοι

the third is intemperance; the fourth is desire; the fifth is injustice; the sixth is greed; ακρασια : τεταρτη επιθυμια, πεμπτη αδικια : εκτη πλεονεξια : the seventh is deceit; the eighth is ill-will; the ninth is treachery; the tenth is anger; εβδομη απατη: ογδοη $\phi\theta$ ovoς : ενατη δολος : δεκατη οργη: the eleventh is recklessness; the twelfth is malice. These then are twelve in number, but προπετεια : δωδεκατη κακια. αυται δε εισι δωδεκα τον αριθμον δε ενδεκατη under these there are also many others, O Son, which compel the inner human that is υπο ταυταις και πλειονες αλλαι, ω τεκνον, αι αναγκαζουσι τον εν ανθροπον τω imprisoned by being bound by the body to suffer/experience through the senses. But δεσμωτηριω δεδεμενον του σωματος πασγειν δια αισθησεως. δε these avengers do not depart at once from the one who receives The Compassion from αυται ουκ αφιστανται αθροως απο ελεηθεντος υπο The God, and in this way The Logos is Put-together. του θεου, και ουτω ο λογος συνισταται. This Is The Way and Logos of The Regeneration.

ουτος ο τροπος και λογος της παλιγγενεσιας.

Be $\it Silent$ for $\it The Rest$, O Son , and $\it Keep Religious Silence$; and $\it Through This$ 8A siwthson loidon, we teknon, kai enфhihson : kai dia touto $\it The Compassion$ from $\it The God$ for us shall not cease .

το ελεος απο του θεου εις ημας ου καταπαυσει .

Rejoice for The Rest, O Son, be thoroughly Cleansed by The Powers of The God, λοιπον , ω τεκνον , ανακαθαιρομένος ταις δυναμεσιν του θεου: for They have come to The Linking-together of The Logos. The Intuitive-Knowledge συναρθρωσιν του λογου. γαρ παρεισι εις of God has come to us. The Coming of This, O Son, is The Banishment of ignorance. ηλθεν ημιν : ελθουσης ταυτης, ω τεκνον, η εξηλαθη The Joy of Intuitive-Knowledge has come to us, and at The Coming of This, O Son, χαρας γνωσις ηλθεν ημιν: παραγενομένης ταυτής, ω τέκνον, pain/sorrow will flee to those who make room for her.

η λυπη φευξεται εις τους χωρουντας αυτην.

After Joy, I Summon The Third Power of Mastery. O Power Most Sweet. επι χαρα καλω την τριτην δυναμιν εγκρατείαν. ω δυναμις ηδιστη:

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Let Us Receive Her, O Son, Most-gladly,

προσλαβωμεν αυτην, ω τεκνον, ασμενεστατα.

See how on Her Arrival She drives off the lack of Mastery/Temperance/Soundness. πως αμα τω παραγενεσθαι απωσατο την α- κρασιαν

Now I Summon The Fourth Power of Endurance, That which is Set-over desire.

nun kalw tetarthy dunamin karterian, thn kata the epidumae . This Fifth Step of Power , O Son , is The Seat of Righteousness . For See how

ουτος ο βαθμος , ω τεκνον , εστιν εδρασα δικαιοσυνης . γαρ ιδε πως without trial **She** drives-out injustice , and by it being absent , O **Son** , we become **Just** .

χωρις κτισεως εξηλασεν την αδικιαν αδικιας αποσης , ω τεκνον , εδικαιωθημεν .

I Summon The Sixth Power to Us , Community , That which is Set-over greed . καλω την εκτην δυναμιν εις ημας κοινωνιαν την κατα της πλεονεξιας .

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Thus by greed being absent,
                         δε της πλεονεξιας αποστασης...
                      I Summon forth The Seventh Power, Truth.
                      επικαλω
                                 την εβδομην
                                                    αληθειαν.
                      Fly-away deceit, for The Truth has Arrived!
                    φευγει απατη:
                                       αληθεια παραγινεται.
             See how The Good Fulfills, O Son, The Arrival of The Truth!
     ιδε πως το αγαθον πεπληρωται, ω τεκνον, παραγενομένης της αληθείας.
               for ill-will and the remaining avengers have departed from us.
           γαρ φθονος και οι λοιποι τιμωριαι απεστη
                                                          αφ' ημων.
     Therefore Life and Light have come to Be At-Once-With The Truth and The Good,
                                                   τη αληθεια και το αγαθον.
    δε
          ζωη και φωτι
                          επεγενετο
                                           αμα
             and the avengers of darkness no longer come upon Us in any way,
         και του τιμωρια σκοτους ουκετι επηλθεν
                                                         ουδεμια,
                          but conquered, they fly off in a rush.
                      αλλ' νικηθεισαι εξεπτησαν ροιζω
                Now You Know, O Son, The Way of The Regeneration.
10
                εγνωκας , ω τεκνον, τον τροπον της παλιγγενεσιας.
              Surely then in this way, O Son, with The Arrival of The Ten,
                       ουτω , ω τεκνον , της παραγινομενης δεκαδος ,
               δn
      The Intellectual-Ousian Generation is Put-Together, and Drives out the twelve,
                                          συντεθη, και εξελαυνει την δωδεκατην,
                  ουσια
                            γενεσις
    η
        νοερα
                    and by This Generation We have become Divine .
                 και ταυτης τη γενεσει
                                            εθεωρηθημεν
               Therefore, whoever has been encountered by This Generation
                                                κατα της γενεσεως
              ουν
                       οστις
                                   ετυχε
                         According to The Divine Compassion,
                                   το θεον
                                                  ελεος,
                          κατα
                           -leaving behind the corporeal senses-
                      καταλιπων την σωμαθτικην αισθησιν
             Recognize that Their-Self Is Put-together out-of These Powers.
                          εαυτον συνισταμένον εκ τουτών δυναμέων,
             and by Recognizing This, They are made Glad/Merry/Cheerful.
                   γνωρισας
                                               ευφραινεται
         και
Tat:
          O Father, My Ousia has come to Be Anew Through The God;
                               γενομενος καινης υπο
11A
         ω πατερ,
                     Ουσια
                                                          του θεου,
                 This has come to Light not through the sight of the eyes,
                   φανταζομαι
                                           ορασει
                                                       οφθαλμων,
                                   ουχ
                  but Through The Intellectual Energy of The Powers.
             αλλα δια
                            τη νοητικη ενεργεια
                                                    δυναμεων.
                      It Is The Self Regeneration, O Son,
Hermes:
                     εστιν η Αυτη παλιγγενεσια, ω τεκνον,
             for it is no longer a three dimensional body that has come to Light,
              μηκετι
                       το τριχη διαστατον το σωμα εις φανταζεσθαι,
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Tat:
         Father! I See The All and Myself, Being In The Intellect Seeing!
11B
        Πατέρ, ορω το παν και έαυτον, οντα έν
                                                     τω νοι
     I Am In Heaven, In Earth, In Water, In Air, I Am In Living-beings, In Plants;
  ειμι εν ουρανω, εν γη , εν υδατι , εν αερι : ειμι εν ζωοις
                                                                    , εν φυτοις :
                 I Am In the womb, Prior to the womb, After the womb;
                                         γαστρος, μετα γαστερα:
                   εν γαστρι , προ
                               I Am Present Everywhere!
                                           πανταγου.
                              παρειμι
Hermes:
               Thou Knows, O Son, The Way of The Regeneration.
                 Εγνωκας , ω τεκνον , τον τροπον της παλιγγενεσιας .
Tat:
        But still tell me this; how the avengers of darkness, being 12 in number,
11C Αλλ' ετι ειπε μοι τουτο , πως αι τιμωριαι του σκοτους , ουσαι δωδεκα αριθμω ,
           are banished by the 10 powers. What Is The Way, O Thrice Great One?
       απωθουνται υπο δεκα δυναμεων . τις
                                             ο τροπος , ω
                                                            τρισμεγιστε;
         This tent, O Son, through which We have also passed, is composed
12
      τουτο Το σκηνος, ω τεκνον, δι-ο
                                          και-εξεληλυθαμεν, συνεστη
       from The Circle of The Zodiac; and This is composed of 12 Symbols in number;
    εκ του κυκλου
                    ζωοφορου , και τουτου συνεστωτος εξ δωδεκα
                     begotten by Nature out from One Multi-form Idea
                                           μιας παντομορφους ιδεας
                     γεννωντος φυσεως
                         to lead the human-being astray/to wander.
                              του ανθρωπου
                                                 \pi\lambda\alpha\nu\eta\nu:
                       εις
          And since The Number of Symbols out of which The Zodiac consists is 12,
               τον αριθμον τουτου εκ Ζωδιων συνεστωτος οντων δωδεκα,
         και
                      12 Symbols are yoked-together-in-pairs, O Son,
                   δωδεκα αυταις εισιν εν διαζυγιαι, ω τεκνον.
            But They are also indistinct/indefinite, by being united in their deed;
          δε
                               αδιοριστοι
                                                ηνωμεναι
                                                             εν τη πραξει:
                εισι και
                for recklessness is inseparable/indistinguishable from anger.
            γαρ η προπετεια εστιν
                                      αχωριστος
                                                         της ορμης.
              Therefore, it is Reasonable that According to The True Logos,
                                                      τον ορθον λογον
                         εικοτως
                                        κατα
      they are made to depart at once, as I said, for they are Driven-off by 10 Powers.
ποιουνται την αποστασιν αθροοως, καθως είπον. και ελαυνονται απο δέκα δυναμέων,
          This Is from The Decad, O Son, for The Decad Is The Soul-Generator;
      τουτεστιν απο της δεκαδος ω τεκνον, γαρ η δεκας εστι
                                                            ψυχογονος
                         Thus Life and Light are United as One;
                       δε ζωη και φως εισιν ηνωμεναι ενας:
                     whereas The Number of The Unity Is by Nature
                    δε
                             ο αριθμος της εναδος
                                                       πεφυκε
                        The Source of The Breath of The Decad.
                                του πνευματος της δεκαδος.
                         αρχε
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but That which Is Incorporeal.

ασωματων .

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The Monad Contains The Decad and The Decad Contains The Monad.
        η ενας εμπεριεχει την δεκαδα και η δεκας
                                                               την εναδα.
Tat:
                 Father ! I See The All and Myself in The Intellect .
13A
                 Πατέρ, ορώ το παν και εμάυτον εν τω
Hermes: It Is The Self Regeneration, O Son, That which no longer brought to Light
        εστιν η Αυτη παλιγγενεσια, ω τεκνον,
                                                το
                                                        ουκετι
                                                                  φανταζεσθαι
                         in relation to the three dimensional body.
                                το τριχη διαστατον το σωμα.
Tat:
        Tell me, O Father, will This Body that is Put-together out of The Powers
14
       Ειπε μοι , ω πατερ , τουτο το σωμα
                                                                    δυναμεων
                                                 συνεστος
                                                              εк
                                           το
                          ever have to be subject to dissolution?
                                 εχει
                                                λυσιν
                      ποτε
Hermes: Hush! Speak That which is Beneficial! And do not utter impossibilities!
                         Ευφημησον
                                             , και μη φθεγγου
                                                                 αδυνατα .
                For Thou will miss The Mark and Thou will be irreverent.
                      αμαρτησεις
                                                     ασεβησεις.
             επει
                                          και
                        Do not put-out The Eye of Thine Intellect.
                     μη εσβεσθη ο οφθαλμος σου του νου;
                  The Nature of the perceptible body is far different from
              της φυσεως το αισθητον σωμα εστι
                                                     πορρωθεν
                  The Generation of That which has The Idea of Ousia.
                της γενεσεως
                                    του
                                                    ουσιωδους
              For the one is dissolvable, whereas The Other is Indissolvable;
          γαρ το μεν εστι διαλυτον,
                                              το δε
                                                          αδιαλυτον,
                   and the one is mortal, while The Other is Immortal.
                            θνητον,
                                             το δε
                                                       αθανατον.
                και το μεν
                   Does Thou not Realize that Thou are Created Divine
                         αγνοεις
                                              πεφυκας
                                      οτι
                          and that Thou are A Son of The One,
                                     παις
                                                του ενος,
                        και
                                   which I Am also?
                                         καγω ;
                                  o
Tat:
           I wish, O Father, to thoroughly Learn of The Hymn of Praise,
15
           Εβουλομην, ω πατερ, δια μαθειν
                                              του υμνου την ευλογιαν
      which, as Thou said, The Shepherd Foretold was to be Heard from The Powers
   ην, σε καθως εφης, ο Ποιμανδρης εθεσπισε ακουσεσθαι
                                                              των δυναμεων
                        when Thou came to Be upon The Eighth.
                               γενουμενου επι την ογδοαδα.
                       σου
Hermes:
                       O Son; Thou Strives in a Good Way,
                     \Omega teknon, speudeig
                                                καλως ;
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Therefore *According* to The Logos,

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for Thou has been Purified, by dissolving the tent,
                          κεκαθαρσαι
                                         , λυσαμενος το σκηνος .
                γαρ
                     The Shepherd, The Intellect of The Inner Self,
                 ο Ποιμανδρης, ο νους
                                             της
                                                   αυθεντιας,
                     Granted Me no more than what has been written.
                 παρεδωκε μοι ου πλεον των
                                               εγγεγραμμενων,
         By Being Aware that I should be Able to Intellect Everything from Myself,
         ειδως
                            δυνησομαι
                                            νοειν
                                                     παντα απ' εμαυτου,
                  and to Hear that which I Wish, and to See Everything,
              και ακουειν
                              ων βουλομαι, και οραν τα παντα:
             and That Shepherd Entrusted to Me to Create Beautiful Works.
                 εκεινος
                             επετρεψε μοι ποιειν
                                                         τα καλα.
      For which Logos The Powers which Are In Everything also Sing within Myself.
                                             πασιν και αδουσι εν
                                                                       εμοι .
       διο
                  αι δυναμεις
                                \alpha_1
                                        εν
                      Tat: I Wish, Father, to Hear These Powers,
                       Θελω , πατερ , ακουσαι
                                                 ταυτα
                          and I Wish to Intellect These Powers.
                      και Βουλομαι νοησαι
                                               ταυτα .
Hermes:
               Be Quiet, O Son, and now Hear The Harmonious Song of Praise,
16
            Ησυχασον, ω τεκνον, και νυν ακουε της αρμοζουσης
                                                                 ευλογιας
                            The Hymn to The Regeneration,
                         τον υμνον τη παλλιγγενεσια,
                which were not intended to be pointed-out so easily to Thee
                                        εκφαναι ουτως ευκολως σοι
                        ουκ εκρινα
               if Thou had not come to The End of The All (The Eighth?).
           ει
                             επι
                                    τελει
                                            του παντος .
            For which Logos, This Hymn is not taught, but Hidden In Silence.
                            τουτο ου διδασκεται, αλλα κρυπτεται εν σιγη.
            Therefore In This Way, O Son, while standing under The Airy Sky,
                   ουτως
                           , ω τεκνων ,
                                          στας
                                                      υπ-αιθρω τοπω
          ουν
           while facing The South Wind, at the setting of The Sun, bow down;
                      νοτω ανεμω, περι καταφοραν
                                                             προσκυνει :
                                                    ηλιου
           then also do likewise facing The East Wind, at the rising of The Sun.
                                απηλιωτην
                                               προς ανιοντος.
        δε και
                  ομοιως
                                   Be Quiet, O Son.
                             ησυχασον, ω τεκνον.
                                   The Hidden Hymn
                                   κρυπτη υμνωδια.
                Let Every lock of The Kosmos be Unlocked for Me.
                    πας μοχλος του κοσμου Ανοιγητω
17
                              Earth, Unlock Thine Rains,
                            γη , ανοιγηθη ομβρου,
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Trees, be not shaken;
                             τα δενδρα μη σειεσθε:
    I am about to Praise The Lord/Master of The Foundation and The All and The One.
 μελλω
          υμνειν τον
                                            κτισεως και το παν και
                         κυριον
                                     της
                                                                       το εν .
                              Heavenly Beings, Unlock;
                               ουρανοι οντα ανοιγητε,
                                  Winds, also be still.
                                  ανεμοί τε στητε:
           Let The Immortal Circle of The God Receive The Logos of Myself.
       προσ- ο αθνατος ο κυκλος του θεου -δεξασθω τον λογον
                  For I am about to Praise The Founding of Everything;
                             υμνειν τον κτισαντα τα παντα,
               The One who Fixes-fast The Earth, and Suspends Heaven,
                       πηξαντα την γην και κρεμασαντα ουρανον,
              τον
                  The One who Urges The Sweet Water from The Ocean
                τον επιταξαντα το γλυκυ υδωρ εκ του ωκεανου
                       into Lands both inhabited and uninhabited,
                    εις την και οικουμένην και αοικητον,
           to Subsist for The Nourishment and Foundation of All Human-Beings,
                        διατροφην και
                                          κτισιν παντων ανθρωπων,
        υπαρχειν εις
                     The One who also Urges that Fire come to Light
                   τον και επιταξαντα
                                                   φανηναι
                                            πυρ
                      for The Use of All Gods and Human-Beings.
                   εις πραξιν πασαν θεοις τε και ανθρωποις.
                      Let Us All Together Give The Praise to Self,
                    δω- παντες ομού -μεν την ευλογιαν αυτώ,
      The One who is Elevated Above Those of Heaven, The Founder of All Nature.
                                   των ουρανων , τω κτιστη πασης φυσεως.
              μετεωρω
                           επι
     τω
                       This is The Eye of The Intellect of Myself;
18
                   ουτος εστιν ο οφθαλμος του νου
                                                    μου
                  may He receive The Praise of The Powers of Myself.
                   δεξαιτο την ευλογιαν των δυναμεων
                                                        μου
             The Powers that are within Myself, Praise The One and The All;
         αι δυναμεις
                                   εμοι , υμνειτε το εν και το παν:
                              εν
               All The Powers within Myself, Unload-together at My Will.
           πασαι αι δυναμεις εν
                                  εμοι, συνασατε μου τω θεληματι:
                  Holy Intuitive-Knowledge, I Am Illumined by Thee,
                                            φωτισθεις απο σου,
              αγια
                           γνωσις
                     Through Thee I Praise The Intelligible Light.
                            σου υμνων το νοητον
                            I Rejoice in The Joy of Intellect.
                       <...> χαιρω εν χαρα
                                                νου
                   All The Powers Sing Praise Together-with Myself.
                πασαι δυναμεις υμνειτε χαιρετε
                                               συν
                                                        εμοι.
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Mastery and Endurance, Thou Praise Together-with Myself;
           εγκρατεια και καρτερια
                                    συ υμνει
           Righteousness of Mine, Praise That which Is Just Through Myself.
         δικαιοσυνη
                       μου , υμνει
                                        το
                                              δικαιον
                                                         δι'
                                                               εμου:
                Commonality of Mine, Praise The All Through Myself.
                            εμε , υμνει το παν
                                                    δι'
              η κοινωνια
                                                          εμου:
                          Truth of Mine, Praise The Truth.
                     αληθεια
                                    υμνει την αληθειαν.
                        The Good in Myself, Praise The Good.
                     το αγαθον εν εμοι, υμνει το αγαθον:
    Life and Light, from Yourselves Arrives The Praise and to Yourselves It Returns.
 ζωη και φως, αφ'
                       υμων
                                       η ευλογια
                                                    εις
                                                          υμας
             I Offer-Gratitude to Thee, Father, The Energy of My Powers.
                           σοι , πατερ , ενεργεια μου των δυναμεων :
            ευχαριστω
              I Offer-Gratitude to Thee, God, The Power of My Energies.
                             σοι , θεε , δυναμις μου των ενεργειων .
              ευχαριστω
                      Thine Logos Praises Thee Through Myself.
                   σος ο λογος υμνει σε
                                              δι'
              Receive All The Logos of A Spoken Offering Through Myself.
           δεξαι παν το λογω
                                  λογικην θυσιαν
                                                      δι'
                                                             εμου.
           These Powers which are In Myself Cry-out to Accomplish Thy Will.
        ταυτα αι δυναμεις αι εν εμοι βοωσαι τελουσι σον το θελημα:
19
                  They Praise The All, They Accomplish Thine Will;
                υμνουσαι το παν
                                       <...>
                                                   ση τη βουλη
                          from Thee and to Thee; The All.
                       απο σου < ... > επι σε
                                              το παν.
                      Thine Logos Praises Thee Through Myself;
                    σος ο λογος υμνει σε
                                              δι'
                                                     εμου:
           For By Thee, The Intellect, Is My Logos Guided/Herded/Tended.
                      ο νους
                                εμον τον λογον
                                                    ποιμαινεις
       γαρ
              συ
                 Receive from All The Spoken Offering Through Myself;
             δεξαι απο παντων λογικην θυσιαν
                                                    δι'
                                                         εμου :
                For The All Is from Thee, and The All Returns to Thee.
             γαρ το παν απο
                                σου, και το παν
                                                     επι
                   Light, Illumine, Life Preserve The Intellect in Us.
                φως
                      φωτιζε
                               ζωη σωζε τον νουν εν ημιν:
                            Life, Preserve The Soul in Us.
                                σωζε την ψυχην < . . . > .
                         ζωη
             For The Intellect Guides Thine Logos, The Breath that Is God,
         γαρ ο νους ποιμανει σον τον λογος
                                                 πνευμα
       The Logos That-Bears-The-Breath of The Creator, if Thou Are The God.
                   πνευματοφορος
                                       δημιουργε
                                                    , ει συ
                                                                 ο θεος.
                      These Powers Thine Human-being Cries-out
20
                                 σος ο ανθρωπος
                       ταυτα
                                                     βοα
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δια πυρος, δι' αερος, δια
                                               γης ,
                                                        δια
                                                              υδατος,
                      Through Breath, Through Thine Creations,
                    δια πνευματος, δια σου των κτισματων,
                     Discovering The Praise From Thine Eternity .
                     ευρων την ευλογιαν απο του αιωνος.
                     and In Thine Will I See The Rest which I Seek.
                        τη ση βουλη ειδον αναπεπαυμαι ο ζητω:
                 και
                          By Thine Will, I Am Re-Generated.
                       τω σω θεληματι
                                         ανεγεννηθην .
Tat:
                       O Father, By Singing This Hymn
21
                         ω πατερ , λεγων ταυτην Την ευλογιαν ,
                 It has been also Placed In The Kosmos Within Myself...
                 και τεθεικας
                                  εν τω κοσμω
                                                      εμω ...
                      Say instead Son: In The Intellectual.
Hermes:
                       λεγε τεκνον , "Εν τω
                                               νοητω".
Tat:
               In The Intellectual, O Father, there is Power from Thy Hymn,
                                              δυναμιν
              Εν τω
                        νοητω
                                  , ω πατερ ,
                                                         εκ σου του υμνου,
          and By Thine Hymn of Praise, My Intellect has been Fully Illumined.
                      της ευλογιας μου ο νους
                                                      επιπεφωτισται
           Except that I also wish to Send Praise to The God from my own Mind.
           πλην καγω θελω πενψαι ευλογιαν τω θεω εξ
                                                          ιδιας φρενος.
Hermes:
                              O Son, do so not aimlessly.
                            \Omega teknon,
                                          μη ασκοπως.
         In The Intellect, O Father, I Speak That which I See/Contemplate.
Tat:
                       , ω πατερ , λεγω
        Eν
             τω νω
                                              α
                                                           \theta \omega \rho \omega .
             To Thee, O God, The Archetypal-Founder of The Generation,
                  ω θεω
                                 γεναρχα
           Σοι
                                                   της γενεσιουργιας,
                            I, Tat, Send Spoken Offerings.
                       εγω Τατ πεμπω λογικας θυσιας.
      God, Thou Are The Father, Thou Are The Master, Thou Are The Intellect,
   33\theta
         συ
                       πατερ : συ
                                          ο κυριε, συ
                                                                      νους.
                   Accept The Praises from Myself which Thou Wills.
                δεξαι ευλογικας απ'
                                        εμου
                                                       θελεις :
                                                \alpha \varsigma
           For By Thine Will Everything Is Accomplished/Fulfilled/Perfected.
       γαρ σου βουλομενου παντα
                                                     τελειται
Hermes: Good, O Son, Thou has Sent An Acceptable Offering to God,
          Ευ, ω τεκνον, επεμψας
                                         δεκτην
                                                     θυσιαν θεω
             The Father of All. But also add, O Son, 'Through The Logos'.
         τω πατρι παντων . αλλα και προσθες , ω τεκνον , "δια του λογου" .
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Through Fire, Through Air, Through Earth, Through Water,

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Tat:
       I Am Grateful to Thee, Father, for Allowing Me to Sing These Praises.
         Ευχαριστω
                                                  μοι ευξαμενω ταυτα αινεις.
                       σοι , πατερ ,
                                         οτι
Hermes:
            I Rejoice, Son, that Thou has brought forth The Fruit of The Truth;
                                                               της αληθειας
22A
            Χαιρω, τεκνον, ως
                                      καρποφορησοντος
           The Good, The Immortal Harvest of Virtue/Excellence, from Thee.
                    τα αθανατα γεννηματα
                                              της αρετης
                                                               εκ σου:
       τα αγαθα
              since Thou Intellectually Recognizes Thyself and Our Father.
                      νοερως εγνως
                                        σεαυτον και τον ημετερον τον πατερα.
           επει
             Having Learned This from Myself, Commands Silence, O Son,
                          τουτο παρ' εμου, επαγγειλαι σιγην, ω τεκνον,
               μαθων
               Reveal to no one The Transmission of The Re-Generation,
22B
           εκφαινειν μηδενι την παραδοσιν
                                               της
                                                     παλιγγενεσιας,
                 in order that we not be reckoned as slanderers of The All.
                             μη λογισθωμεν ως διαβολοι του παντος.
    For Each of Us has been Sufficiently Careful; I who Speaks, and Thee who Listens.
<\ldots> gar ekastog hmwn epe- ikanwg -melh\thetah , te eyw o leywn te
                                                                συ ο ακουων.
This Logos concerning The Re-Generation, which I have privately set down in writing
13Β τουτον τον λογον περι της παλιγγενεσιας ον
                                                       ιδιας
                                                               υπεμνηματισαμην
               is for Those whom The Divine Self Wills, not for the many.
                               o beog autoς belei , our eig toug polloug .
              εις
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14 The Logos of Thrice-Great Hermes to Asklepion

του τρισμεγιστου Ερμου Ασκληπιω **To Be Well-Mindful**

ευ φρονειν.

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Since Thine absence, My Son Tat wished to Learn of The Nature of The Real Beings,
      Επει σου αποντος μου ο υιος Τατ ηθελησε μαθειν την φυσιν
                                                                         των οντων,
and since He would allow me no deferment, and since He was young and had just recently
            επετρεπεν μοι ουκ υπερθεσθαι, και ως
                                                      νεωτερω
                                                                         αρτι
arrived at The Intuitive-Knowledge, I was Compelled to Speak about Each One of The Real
παρελθοντι επι την γνωσιν
                                    ηναγκασθην
                                                    ειπειν περι εκαστου ενος
Beings at some length, so as to make it Easy for Self to Follow The Theory. Thus I have
                  , οπως γενηται ευπαρα- αυτω -κολουθντος η θεωρια. δε εγω εκ-
selected for Thee The Most Important of The Topics Spoken about in the form of a short
-λεξαμενος σοι
                    τα κυριωτατα
                                      των κεφαλαια λεχθεντων
                                                                      δι' ολιγων
summary, wishing to write down The More-Mystical Explanations about Selves, since Thou
         ηθελησα επιστειλαι
                                   μυστικωτερον
                                                    ερμηνευσας
                                                                   αυτα
are of Such an Age and are Acquainted with Their Nature.
                        επιστημονι
      τηλικουτω και
                                        της
                                               φυσεως.
αν
       If those that are visible/the phenomena that have come to Be and come to Be are many,
                       τα φαινομενα
2
                                                γεγονε
                                                               και γινεται
                                                                               παντα.
then they are not brought to Be by themselves but they come to Be by Another, then since the
                 γεννητα υφ' εαυτου αλλ'
                                                  γινεται
                                                            υφ' ετερου,
phenomena that come to Be are many and more than many, and since the many are different and
                                      μαλλον παντα , και
                          πολλα
                                                               τα παντα
                                                                           διαφορα και
              γεννητα
not Alike, then those that have come to Be come to Be by Another, it is a Certain One who
                                        γινεται υφ' ετερου, εστι
ουχ ομοια, δε
                           γινομενα
                  τα
Creates these; and This Very One is Un-generated, in order that It Be More-Ancient than
ποιων ταυτα : και
                       ουτος
                                    αγεννητος,
                                                     ιν'
                                                             η
                                                                     πρεσβυτερος
those that are generated/brought to Be . For it was said that those that are generated came to Be
           των γεννητων
                                                                γεννητα
                                   . γαρ
                                           φημι
by another; since it is impossible that anything Be More-Ancient than All of the generated
υφ' ετερου : δε
                  αδυνατον
                                     τι ειναι πρεσβυτερον παντων των γεννητων
Beings except only That which is Un-generated.
οντων
       η μονον
                                αγεννητον.
                     το
        Therefore He Is One, and Greater than All, and Is Alone Truly Wise In Every Way,
                 ουτος εις, και κρειττον παντων, και μονος οντως σοφος τα παντα,
3
since there can be nothing more-ancient; for He Regulates both the Multitude and the Magnitude
                 μηδεν πρεσβυτερον: γαρ
                                           αρκει
                                                     και του πληθους και τω μεγεθει
of those that have come to Be . He also Regulates the Differences and the Connectivity of His
             γινομενων
                                             της διαφορας και τη
                                                                     συνεχεια της
    των
                               και
Creation . Then since those that are generated are visible, surely then That is also Visible;
ποιησεως. δε επει
                             γεννητα εστι ορωμενα,
                                                              κακεινος εστι ορατος:
                        τα
                                                         δη
for He Creates for this purpose; in order that He may Be Visible. Therefore by Always
γαρ ποιει
                 δια τουτο ,
                                 ινα
                                                    ορατος .
                                                                ουν
                                              η
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Creating, according to This Very Act, He Is Always Visible.
                   τοιγαρουν
                                    εστιν αει
 ποιων ,
                                                  ορατος.
          It is Valuable to Intellect In This Way, and to Wonder/Marvel by Intellecting,
          εστι αξιον
                                    ουτως
                                              , και
                                                        θαυμασαι
                         νοησαι
and by Marveling/Wondering to Count Oneself as Blessed for Recognizing The Father;
          θαυμασαντα
                                 εαυτον ως μακαρισαι
                                                          γνωρισαντα τον πατερα:
for what is Sweeter than Recognizing The Legitimate Father? Who then Is This Very One,
γαρ τι γλυκυτερον
                                      γνησιου
                                                  πατρος; τις ουν εστιν
and how shall we Recognize Self? For is it Just, that only The Name of God be assigned
            γνωρισωμέν αυτον; γαρ η δικαιον μονον την προσηγορίαν του θέου ανακεισθαί
to This Self, or only that of Creator, or only that of Father? Or should All Three Names be
          , \eta thn tou pointou , \eta thn tou patros ; \eta
assigned to Self; such as God on the one hand, Through His Power, or Creator on the other
                                              δια την δυναμιν, ποιητην
                       θεον
                                 μεν
hand, Through His Energy, or Father, Through The Good. For He Is Different in Power
         δια την ενεργειαν , δε πατερα
                                       δια το αγαθον. γαρ εστι διαφορος δυναμει
from those that have come to Be, since His Energy Exists in All those that have come to Be,
                 γινομενων
                             , δε
                                     ενεργεια
                                                   εν παντα
                                                                         γινεσθαι
whereas His Good Is . . .
       αγαθος εστι . . .
          For which Logos we must rid ourselves of too-much-talk and idle/vain/empty talk,
                           χρη απαλλαγεντας
                                                                         ματαιολογιας
5
                                                της πολυλογιας τε και
in order to Intellect These Two; that which comes to Be and The One who Creates. For there
                  ταυτα δυο. το
                                      γινομενον
                                                   και
                                                            τον ποιυουντα : γαρ
is nothing between these, nor any third. Therefore, Remember These Two, in All Intellections,
  ουδεν μεσον τουτών, ουδε τι τρίτον. ουν μεμνήσο των τουτών δυο, και πάντα νοών,
and in All that is heard, and consider These to Be All there Is. Hold nothing in deepest-doubt
και παντα ακούων , και νομίζε ταυτα είναι τα παντα , τίθεμενος μηδέν εν απορία
nor in deepest-darkness, neither Those that are Above, nor those that are below, nor Those that
         μυγω
                    , μη
                                 των
                                           ανω
                                                  , μη
                                                           των
                                                                   κατω
Are Divine, nor those that are transformed, nor those that are in deepest-darkness; for All
                   των
                           μεταβλητων , η
                                               των
                                                         εν
                                                                 μυχω
                                                                            : γαρ παντα
are These Two, that which comes to Be and The Creator. And since it is not possible to
εστι τα δυο.
                  το
                        γινομενον
                                    και το ποιουν .
                                                         και
                                                                    ου δυναται
separate One from the other;
                                    for it is not possible for there to be A Creator apart from
                                                                  τον ποιουντα χωρις
διαστηναι το ετερον απο του ετερου : γαρ ουτε δυνατον
                                                          ειναι
that which is created, nor that which comes to Be apart from That which brings it to Be, for
                               γινομενον
  του γινομενου
                  , ουτε το
                                                χωρις
                                                           του
                                                                   ποιουντος
                                                                                 . γαρ
Each One of These Selves are This Self. For which Logos, The One is not able to be
εκατερον
              αυτων εστι τουτο αυτο:
                                             διο
                                                         το ετερον εστι ουκ χωρισ-
separated from The Other, just as Self cannot be separated from Itself.
              του ετερου, ωσπερ αυτο
                                                         εαυτου .
                                             ουδε
        For if The Creator is nothing else than The Only, Un-mixed, In-composite Creator,
       γαρ ει ο ποιων εστινουδεν αλλο η το μονον, απλουν, ασυνθετον ποιουν,
then it is Necessary that This Self Create Itself, to Whom Bringing to Be, Is The Work
       αναγκη
                     τουτο αυτο ποιειν εαυτω
                                                ω
                                                           γενεσις
                                                                     εστι το ποιουν
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of The One who Creates. And since it is impossible that All that comes to Be, have come to Be
                                      αδυνατον
                                                           το γινομενον γινομενον ειναι
    του
           ποιουντος .
                            και
                                                   παν
by itself, thus it is necessary, that it comes to Be by Another; thus it is also necessary that
υφ' εαυτου, δε αναγκη
                           γινομενον γινεσθαι υφ' ετερου:
without The Creator, the created could not come to Be nor Exist. For if either The One or the
ανευ του ποιουντος το γεννητον ουτε
                                           γινεται ουτε εστι.
                                                                 γαρ
                                                                          τον ετερον του
other would Exist without the other, then they would both Be deprived of Their Own Nature.
ετερου
                 ανευ του ετερου
                                                        απωλεσε
                                                                    την
                                                                           ιδιαν φυσιν.
Now then, if it is agreed that The Two Beings, the created and The Creator, then They Are
            ωμολογηται
                           τα δυο οντα , το γινομενον και το ποιουν ,
One in Their Union, The One Leading The Way, while the other follows.
                               προηγουμενον ,
            ενωσει, το μεν
                                                    το δε
                                                             επομενον,
The One who Leads Is God The Creator, but the created, whatsoever it may Be, follows.
                             ο ποιων , δε το γινομενον ,
                                                            οποιον ανη , επομενον.
  προηγουμενον
                     ρεος
             And one must not guard-against/keep-watch because of the manifold-variety
7
                                        φυλαξη
                                                          δια
                                                                 την ποικιλιαν
of those that come to Be, for fear of attributing ill-repute and baseness to The God. For there
                     , μη φοβουμενος περιαψης αδοξιαν και ταπεινοτητα τω θεω . γαρ
Is but One Good-Repute/Glory/Honor/Vision for Self, which is, to Create Everything; and
                           δοξα
εστιν μια
                                              αυτω,
                                                                ποιειν
                                                                         τα παντα , και
                                                        το
This Creation Is, as it were, The Under-lying Reality of The God. Therefore one must consider
τουτο η ποιησις εστι ωσπερ
                                   ουσια
                                                   του θεου:
                                                                            νομιστεον
none of the creations defective or worthless in regards to The Self. For these are the effects
                    κακον ουδ' αισχρον
                                                   τω αυτω. γαρ ταυτα εστι τα παθη
which follow those that are created, just as the green tint on copper, and dirt on the body;
               τα τη γενεσει, ωσπερ ο
                                                    τω χαλκω, και ο ρυπος τω σωματι:
παρεπομενα
                                              ιος
Then since the coppersmith does not make the green tint, nor do parents put dirt on the body,
           ο χαλκουργος ουτε εποιησεν
                                          τον 1ον, ουτε ο γεννησαντες τον ρυπον το σωμα
  αλλο
neither does The God create defects, and because of this The God has brought to Be The
ουδε ο θεος γεγεννηκεν την κακιαν, και
                                         δια
                                               τουτο ο θεος
                                                                   εποιησε
                                                                               την
Transformation, so as to Purify the impurity through The Re-generation.
  μεταβολην
                 ωσπερ ανακαθαρσιν
                                                          γενεσεως.
                                                της
             Then if, on the one hand, the same still-life-painter is able to paint Heaven
8
                                                  ζωγραφω εξεστι ποιησαι και ουρανον
                                      τω αυτω
              ειτα
                          μεν
and Earth and The Sea, and The Gods and human-beings, and All those creatures without
και γην και θαλασσαν, και θεους και ανθρωπους, και παντα
The Logos and those without A Soul, then on the other hand, could not The God Create All?
   –λονα και τα
                                                         δυνατον ου τω θεω ποιειν παντα:
                        αψυχα
                                             δε
Such is the ignorance and the lack of inquiry of the many in relation to The God! For those that
                                                                 τον θεον . γαρ
       της ανοιας και
                            αγνωσιας
                                          της πολλης
                                                         περι
are like this, are in the strangest state of all; for they say they worship The God by not
τοιουτοι πασχουσιν το καινοτατον παντων: γαρ φασκοντες ευλογειν τον θεον μη
attributing to The Self The Creation of Everything, they do not know The God, but in regard
ανατιθεναι τω αυτω την ποιησιν των παντων, ουτε ισασι(οιδα) τον θεον, δε
to their lack of knowing, they also act with the greatest impiety in regard to Self; by attributing
                                   τα μεγιστα ασεβουσι
                                                              εις αυτον, περιτιθεντες
           ειδεναι
                            και
   μη
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such a quality as contempt and impotence to Self, for if Self does not Create All, then Self
             υπεροψιαν η αδυναμιαν αυτω, γαρ ει
                                                          μη ποιει παντα,
does not Create either out of arrogance or out of some inability; which is impious to think.
  ου
        ποιει
                      υπερηφανων η
                                          μη δυναμενος : οπερ εστιν
           For The God Only Possesses One Quality; The Good. But One who Is Good,
          γαρ ο θεος μονον εχει
                                       εν παθος , το αγαθον : δε
is neither contemptuous/arrogant nor impotent. For The God Is This; The Good; which has
 ουτε
             υπερηφανος
                            ουτε αδυνατος . γαρ ο θεος εστιν τουτο , το αγαθον :
All of The Power to Create All. Surely then, All that has come to Be, has come to Be by
πασα του δυναμις ποιειν παντα.
                                  δη
                                          παν το γεννητον
The God, which Exists, by The Good and by The Power that Is Able to Create All.
του θεου, οπερ εστιν, υπο του αγαθου και
                                           του
                                                   δυναμενου
            If on the one hand, Thou Wishes to Learn how Self Creates, and on the other
10
                                           μαθειν πως αυτος ποιει,
            £1
                                  βουλει
hand, how the creation comes to Be, there Exists The Most-Beautiful and Most-Like Image
                        γινεται ,
      πως τα γινομενα
                                     εξεστι
                                                 καλλιστην
                                                              και ομοιοτατην εικονα
for Thee to See. Behold that just as a farmer broadcasts his seed upon The Earth; in one place
        ιδειν . ιδε
                                γεωργον καταβαλλοντα σπερμα εις γην , οπου μεν
wheat, in another place barley, and elsewhere, some other seeds. Behold the self/same farmer
                     κριθην, οπου δε αλλο τι των σπερματων, ιδε
          οπου δε
                                                                         τον αυτον
plant a vine, and an apple tree, and other kinds of trees.
                                                       So also then, on the one hand,
φυτευοντα αμπελον και μηλεαν και τα αλλα των δενδρων. Ουτω και
The God sows (1) Immortality in Heaven, and on the other hand, (2) Transformation in
                 αθανασιαν εν ουρανω,
The Earth, and (3) Life and (4) Motion in The All. Therefore, These are not many,
                 ζωην και
                             κινησιν εν τω παντι .
                                                     δε
                                                           ταυτα εστιν ου πολλα,
but few, and They are Well-Accounted for; for All are but Four.
                                                                 For there are Two,
                           ευαριθμητα : γαρ τα παντα τεσσαρα . γαρ εστιν δυο ,
αλλ' ολιγα
             και
The God Self and The Generation, in whom The Beings Exist.
                      γενεσις , εν οις
ο θεος αυτος και η
                                          τα οντα εστιν.
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16 The Definitions of Asklepion to King Ammon

Concerning God, Concerning Matter, Concerning Defects, Concerning Destiny/Fate,

περι

υλης ,

περι

θεου.

περι

οροι Ασκληπιου προς βασιλεα Αμμωνα

κακιας,

περι

ειμαρμενης,

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Concerning The Sun, Concerning The Intelligible Ousia, Concerning The Divine Ousia,
              ηλιου ,
                           περι
                                       νοητης
                                                ουσιας,
                                                             περι
                                                                       θειας ουσιας,
                            Concerning The Human-Being,
                                            ανθρωπου
                                 περι
          Concerning The Management of The Full-Complement of Resources,
                          οικονομιας
              περι
                                        του
                                                         πληρωματος
                         Concerning The Seven Starry-Planets,
                                                  αστερων
                                     των επτα
                 Concerning The Human-being According to An Image.
                             του ανθρωπου
                                                    κατ'
                     περι
                                                             εικονα.
           O King, I am sending Thee This Logos of Great Import, which is as it were,
         ω βασιλευ, διεπεμψαμην σοι τουτον τον λογον μεγαν,
The Apex (Theatetus 173C) and Memorial of All The Others, for It is not composed according
                         και υπομνημα παντων των αλλων,
                                                                    συγκειμενον κατα
κορυφην
                                                             ου
to the opinion of the many, since It contains much that contradicts their opinions. For It will
 την δοξαν των πολλων, δε
                               εχοντα πολλην αντιλειξιν
                                                               εκεινοις . γαρ φανη-
come to Light to Thee that It also Accords with some of my Logos.
                                                                    For on the one hand,
             σοι και αντιφωνος (Parmenides 127B) ενιοις εμοις λογοις.
Hermes, My Teacher would often Discourse to Me both privately and at times in the presence
Ερμης μου ο διδασκαλος πολλακις διαλεγομενος μοι και
                                                       ιδια και ενιοτε
                                                                           παροντος
of Tat, by saying that The Arrangement of My Books would appear to be Most Simple and
του Τατ ελεγεν οτι η συνταξις μου τοις βιβλιοις δοξει
                                                               ειναι απλουστατη και
Clear to those who came across Them, whereas on the other hand, My Books would appear as
                   εντυγχανουσι
          τοις
if They were un-Clear and that The Intellect/Mind/Meaning of The Logos' would appear as
                                                        των λογων
  ουσα
          ασαφης
                     και
                            τον νουν
if It were kept-hidden, to those that aim at opposite ends (Republic 518C). And that They will
εχουσα κεκρυμμενον εκ των διαβληθησεται εναντιων
                                                                                φανη-
appear to be even-more-indistinct/obscure later-on, when the Hellenes are willing to translate
  -σεται
                  ασαφεστερα
                                     υστερον των Ελληνων βουληθεντων μεθερμηνευσαι
our language into their own language, which will greatly distort and obscure
ημετεραν την διαλεκτον εις την ιδιαν, οπερ εσται μεγιστη διαστροφη τε και ασαφεια
The Logos' that have been written.
    των
              γεγραμμενων
           Thus when The Logos is translated in The Language of The Grand-fathers,
                        ο λογος ερμηνευομένος διαλέκτω
It Keeps Clear The Intellect/Mind/Meaning of The Logos'; for both The Self Quality of The
  εγει σαφη τον νουν
                                          των λογων : γαρ και το αυτο ποιον
Sound and The Power of The Egyptian Names In Herself, Contain The Energy of The Logos'
φωνης και η δυναμις των Αιγυπτιων ονοματων εν εαυτη εχει την ενεργειαν
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being spoken. Therefore as far as it is in Thine Power, All Powerful King, Maintain/Keep
λεγομενων .
                        οσον εστι σοι δυνατον, παντα δυνασαι βασιλευ, διατηρησον
                ουν
The Logos thus un-translated, in order that such mysteries do not come to the Hellenes, nor
τον λογον δε ανερμηνευτον,
                                ινα τοιαυτα μυστηρια μητε ελθη εις Ελληνας μητε
that the arrogant, loose and as it were beautiful appearance of style of the Hellenes make
η υπερηφανός και εκλελυμένη και ωσπέρ κεκαλλωπίσμενη φράσις των Ελληνών ποιήση
extinct The Majesty and Strength and The Energetic Style of The Names . For the Hellenes
εξιτηλον το σεμνον και στιβαρον και την ενεργητικην φρασιν των ονοματων . γαρ Ελληνες
O King, possess empty words for display (Protagoras 317C). This is also 'the philosophy'
ω βασιλευ, εχουσι κενους λογους αποδειξεων
                                                        : αυτη εστιν και η φιλοσοφια
of the Hellenes; the sound of words (Protagoras 329A). Whereas we do not use mere words.
                                                              ημεις ου χρωμεθα λογοις,
                ψοφος
but we put to Use The Majestic Sounds of Deeds (Symposium 220C).
αλλα
                 των μεγισταις φωναις εργων.
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Thus from This Point I shall begin The Logos, by invoking The God, The Lord αρξομαι του λογου επικαλεσαμένος τον θέον τον δεσπότην 3 36 ενθεν of Wholes and Creator and Father and Embracer, and Who by Being All, Is The One, and των ολων και ποιντην και πατερα και περιβολον, και οντα παντα by Being One, Is also The All, for The Full Complement of Resources of All, Is One, and οντα ενα και τα παντα , γαρ των παντων εστι εν και το πληρωμα Is In One, there being no second of The One, by both Being One. And for my sake, Keep εν ενι ου δευτερουντος του ενος, αλλ' αμφοτερων οντος ενος: και μοι διατηρησον This Intellect, O King, throughout The Whole Study of The Logos. For if anyone were to touton ton nound, w basilen , par thin olyn praymateian tou logon , gar ean tic attempt to separate *Everything*; both All which comes to Light as One and The One that Is -χειρηση χωρισαι τα παντα δοκουντι εν και του ένος είναι και The Self/Same, by taking and applying the term of All to Multitude/Plurality, and not to The , εκδεξαμενος την προσηγοριαν των παντων επι πληθους Full Complement of Resources, then they destroy The All by unbinding/severing The All πληρωματος απολεσει το παν λυσας from The One; which is Impossible. For All Must Be One, if indeed, One Is (Parm 137C), του ένος: οπέρ έστιν αδυνάτον. γαρ πάντα δει είναι έν, ει γε εν εστιν and since there Is One that will Never cease Being (Parm 142B), in order that The Full ουδεποτε παυσεται οντα, και δε εσται εν 1να το Complement of Resources Never be dissolved.

πληρωμα μη λυθη .

By Seeing how in The Earth Many Sources/Fountains of Water and of Air ιδοις αν εν τη γη πολλας πηγας υδατων και αερος bubble/rise up in Her Central Parts, and by Seeing how in The Self, The Three Natures αναβρυουσαζεν τοις μεσαιτατοις μερεσι, και ορωμένας εν τω αυτώ τας τρεις φυσεις of Air, Water and Earth depend on One (Solar) Root. Whence, It is Trusted (Rep 517C) αερος και υδατος και γης ηρτημενας εκ μιας ριζης . οθεν πεπιστευται to Be The Storehouse/Treasury of All Matter; which both on the one hand, Gives-forth The πασης υλης : και цεν αναδιδωσι την Abundance of Self, and on the other hand, Receives in Return, The Hyparxis from Above. ανταπολαμβανει χορηγιαν αυτης, δε την υπαρξιν ανωθεν.

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For The Creator -surely then I mean The Sun- Links-together Heaven and Earth
      γαρ ο δημιουργος,
                                         ο ηλιος ,
                                                       συναγει
                                                                  ουρανον και γην
                            δη
                                   λεγω
in this way; on the one hand, by Drawing-down The Ousia, whereas on the other hand,
                μεν
                               καταγων
                                            την ουσιαν ,
by Leading-up The Matter; and by Collecting-together (Parm 135D) All about Self and into
   αναγων
              την υλην: και
                                     ελκων
                                                             τα παντα περι αυτον και εις
Self, and from Himself Gives All; for He Freely-Gives His Light to All without envy / ill-will.
αυτον, και απο εαυτου διδους παντα : γαρ χαριζεται το φως πασι (Timaeus 29E) αφθονον.
For it is Self, whose Good Energies not only Pervade throughout Heaven and Air, but also
γαρ εστιν αυτος, ου αγαθαι ενεργειαι ου μονον διηκουσιν εν
                                                             ουρανω και αερι , αλλα και
throughout Earth, but also Pervade down into to the lowest depth and into the bottomless.
                                        εις τον κατωτατον βυθον και
                                                                        αβυσσον.
           γης ,
For The Physical Mass of This is The Source of The Ousia of The Perceptible Light .
                                            της ουσιας
                                                         του
                                                                αισθητης φωτος.
γαρ
        ο ογκος
                     τουτου εστιν
                                   πηγη
         If there Is also A Certain Intelligible Ousia, then Self will be That which Receives
        ει εστι
                  και
                                   νοητη
                                           ουσια, δε αυτης αν ειη
                                                                            υποδογη
6
                          τις
                                                                      ης
The Light from This. Thus The God Self Alone Knows from what Source, Self Subsists or
           τουτου . δε
                           ο θεος αυτος μονος οιδεν
                                                         οθεν
                                                                    αυτη συνισταται η
Flows. Whereas The Sun Provides our Sight by Being Near according to Place and Nature,
                ο ηλιος παρεχει ημων οψιν
                                             ων εγγυς
                                                           και τω τοπω και τη φυσει.
And on the one hand, The God Is In-visible, for Self is not visible to us, whereas on the other
                                              μη ορωμενος υφ' ημων,
και
                      ο θεος
                                αφανης ,
hand, Self Is Intelligible by Sagaciously-Attentive-Aiming Efforts.
            νοουμενος
                                    στοχασμω
                                                  βιαζομενων:
       However, The Sight Provided by The Sun does not involve Intuitive-Attentive-Aiming,
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          36
                   η θεα
                                   τουτου
                                                   ουκ εστι
                                                                      στογαζοντος .
since The Self Sight Sees . For The Most-Brilliant Light Shines throughout All The Over-
αλλ τη αυτη οψει οραται . γαρ
                                  λαμπροτατα
                                                       περιλαμπει παντα τον υπερ-
Lying and The Under-lying Kosmos; for He is Established In The Middle, by wearing
-κειμενον και τον υποκειμενον κοσμον : γαρ
                                            ιδρυται
                                                            μεσος
The Kosmos as if It were a Crown. And just like A Good Charioteer, He Safely Guides
                  -ανηφορων . και καθαπερ αγαθος ηνιοχος
τον κοσμον
                                                                   ασφαλισαμενος
The Chariot of The Kosmos and by Being Bound to Himself, It will not somehow be borne
              του κοσμου και
                                 αναδησας εις εαυτον,
το αρμα
                                                                      πως
                                                                             φεροιτο
                                                           μŋ
in an disorderly way; since His Reins are Life, Soul, Breath, Immortality and Generation.
                         αι ηνιαι εισι ζωη και ψυχη και πνευμα και αθανασια και γενεσις.
                 : δε
Therefore, He loosens (The Reins in order that The Chariot) be Borne not far from Himself,
                                                        φερεσθαι ου πορρωθεν εαυτου,
but if one must speak The Truth, It is Borne-along Together-with Himself.
αλλ' ει γρη ειπειν το αληθες,
                                                     συν
                                                              . ωταρ3
         And this is the way that Everything is Created . On the one hand , The Creator
          και τουτον τον τροπον τα παντα δημιουργει,
8
                                                            μεν
Imparts The Eternal Permanence to The Immortals, and He Nourishes The Immortal
                                 τοις αθανατοις, και
απονεμων την αιδιον
                     διαμονην
                                                         τρεφωντος
                                                                      τα αθανατα
Parts of The Kosmos with The Ascending of The Light of Himself; as much as is Sent from
                             ανωφερεια
                                          του φωτος
μερη του
            κοσμου
                       τn
                                                      εαυτου.
                                                                 οσον αναπεμπει εκ
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That One Part that Gazes at Heaven, whereas on the other hand, with The Descending Light
του θατερου μερους του βλεποντος προς ουρανον, δε
                                                                τω καταλαμβαλλομενω
of Himself, He also Illumines The Whole Hollow of Water and Earth and Air, by Vivifying
           και περιλαμποντι το παν κυτος
                                               υδατος και γης και αερος, ζωοποιων
and by Setting Generation in Motion, He also Transforms those in these parts of The
               γενεσιν εις -κινων,
                                     και μεταβολαις τα εν τουτοις μερεσι του
Kosmos; by Remaking and Reshaping the living beings into each other in A Cyclical Way.
κοσμου. μεταποιων και μεταμορφων τα ζωα
                                                εις αλληλα
                                                                 ελικος τροπον
         The Transformation Exchanges one for another; kind for kind and shape for shape,
9
       της μεταβολης αντικαταλλασσομένης εις αλληλα
                                                         γενη γενων και ειδη ειδων,
iust as He also Creates in The Creation of Great Bodies . For Transformation is Constant
καθαπερ και ποιει επι δημιουργων των μεγαλων σωματων . γαρ μεταβολη
for Every Body. And thus on the one hand, The Transformation of Immortals Takes place
παντος σωματος ,
                    και
                              μεν
                                                                 αθανατου
without dissolution, whereas on the other hand, The Transformation of mortals Takes place
   αδιαλυτος
                              δε
                                                του
                                                                  θνητου
with dissolution . This is the Difference between The Immortal to the mortal and between
μετα διαλυσεως: αυτη εστι η διαφορα
                                          του αθανατου προς το θυγτον και η
the mortal to The Immortal.
του θνητου προς το αθανατον.
          Therefore just as The Light of Self Is Constant, so also Is The Creativity-of-Life
10A
                           το φως αυτου
                                             πυκνον , ουτω και η
                                                                        ζωογονια
of Self Constant; without-interval in any Place and with The Full Complement of Resources.
                  αδιαλειπτος τις τω τοπω και
                                                   τη
          For there are also many Choirs of Spirits Around Self, like manifold Armies,
10B
                         πολλοι χοροι δαιμονων περι αυτον εοικοτες ποικιλοις στρατειαις,
who dwell together and are not far from The Immortals . To Them is Allotted The Intermediate
οι συνοικοι και εισι ουκ πορρω ενθενδε των αθανατων . ουτοι λαχοντες την μεταξυ
Place between human-beings and The Immortals (Symposium 202E), by Overseeing the
                        τουτων
                                                                    εφορωσι
affairs of human-beings; thus They Carry-out The Commands of The Gods by Energies;
      των ανθρωπων , δε
                              τα.
                                        επιταττομενα
                                                           των θεων υπο ενεργουσι.
such as hurricanes and tornadoes, changes of air-masses and earthquakes, and moreover
θυελλαις και καταιγισι και πρηστηρσι και μεταβολαις αερος και σεισμοις δε ετι
with famine and wars They Requite their impiety to The Gods.
 λιμοις και ποεμοις αμυνομενοι την ασεβειαν εις θεους.
          For self impiety is the greatest defect for human-beings in relation to The Gods;
                            η μεγιστη κακια
                                               ανθρωποις
11
for on the one hand, The Work of The Gods Is To Create That which Is Good, whereas on
                                 θεων
                                             ποιειν
γαρ
the other hand, The Work of Human-beings is To Do That which Is Pious, then furthermore
                           ανθρωπων
                                                       ευσεβειν
The Work of Spirits is To Do That which Helps/Assists The Gods. For whatever else
         δαιμονων
                                   επαμυνειν
                                                  τοις θεοις. γαρ
                               το
                                                                    τα αλλα
human-beings dare to undertake, is either done by missing the mark/wandering, or audacity,
ανθρωπων τολμωμενα τα υπ
                                                       πλανη
                                                                         η τολμαται
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or compulsion/necessity -which they call fate- or ignorance, and in All of these cases humans
                    ην καλουσιν ειμαρμενην η αγνοια : και παντα
      ανανκη
are held not-accountable by The Gods, whereas, only impiety comes under Judgment.
      ανευθυνα
                     παρα θεοις ,
                                       δε
                                             μονη η ασεβεια υποπεπτωκε δικη.
        Surely then The Sun Is The Preserver and Nourisher of All The Genera: and
12
                   ο ηλιος εστι
                                             και τροφευς παντος γενους : και
                                   σωτηρ
just as The Intelligible Kosmos, Contains The Perceptible Kosmos, by Filling The Self
                      κοσμος , περιέχων τον αισθητικόν κόσμον , πληροί
ωσπερ ο νοητος
Mass with Manifold Ideas and of Every Shape, so also does The Sun Contain Everything
         ποικιλαις ιδεαις και παντομορφοις, ουτω και
                                                          ο ηλιος περιεχων τα παντα
in The Kosmos, by Giving-Mass and Making-Strong All The Generations, but then Receives
                               και ισχυροποιει παντων τας γενεσεις, δε υποδεχεται
Them when Their work is done and They dissolve/flow-away.
               καμοντων
                             και
                                       ρευσαντων
       The Choir, or rather Choirs of The Spirits are Arranged under This: The Sun; for
       ο χορος, δε μαλλον χοροι των δαιμονων
                                                 εταγη
13
                                                           υπο τουτω
These are many and manifold, by being Arranged under The Leadership of The Starry Planets,
ουτοι πολλοι και ποικιλοι,
                                τεταγμενοι
                                               υπο
                                                     τη ηγεμονια των
by being-Equal-in-Number to Each of These . Therefore by being Arranged According to That
      ισαριθμοι
                        εκαστω τουτων.
                                                       διατεταγμενοι
                                             ουν
                                                                          κατα
which is Oblong/Rectangle They are Stewards to Each One of The Starry Planets , Their Natures
                                                           των αστερων , τας φυσεις
            πλινθιδας
                                              εκαστω
                            υπηρετουσιν
that is to say Their Energies, are Good and deficient. For Ousia Is The Energy of Spirit.
 τουτεστι τας ενεργειας, οντες αγαθοι και κακοι. γαρ ουσια
                                                               ενεργεια δαιμονος.
Whereas there are some of Them-selves that are blended out of Good and out of deficiency.
                         αυτων
                                     κεκραμενοι
                                                    εξ αγαθου και
   δε
          εισι τινες
      These Spirits have obtained by Allotment The Authority Over All Operations upon Earth,
14
                         κεκληρωμενοι
                                            την εξουσιαν παντων των πραγματων επι γης,
          ουτοι
and are the Causes of the turbulence upon Earth, and Operate a variety of disorders both in
                                  επι γης , και εργαζονται ποικιλην ταραχην και
                  των θορυβων
και εισι αιτιοι
common in cities and in nations, and individually in the life of each person. For They Fashion
κοινη ταις πολεσι και τοις εθνεσι και ιδια
                                                       εκαστω
                                                                   . γαρ αναπλαττονται
and Pull/draw our souls towards Themselves, by Residing in our nerves/sinews, in our marrow,
και ανθελκουσι ημών τας ψυχας εις εαυτούς, εγκαθημένοι ημών νευροίς
                                                                          και μυελοις
in our veins and arteries, and in the brain itself, by Penetrating as far as our inner-most parts.
                                                         μεχρι αυτων των σπλαγχνων .
και φλεψι και αρτηριαις και τω εγκεφαλω αυτω, διηκοντες
      For at the time that each one of us comes to be and are given breath, The Spirits that are
                       εκαστον ημων γενομενον και
                                                       ψυχωθεντα οι δαιμονες
Stewards/Servants take charge of that aspect of The Generation, who are Serving Each One
υπηρεται παραλαμβανουσι κατ εκείνην την στιγμην της γενέσεως, οι υπεταγήσαν εκαστω
of The Starry Planets; for They change/alter according to aspect, These Selves do not remain
                    : γαρ ουτοι εναλλασσονται κατα στιγμην,
                                                              οι αυτοι
                                                                          ουχ επι-
Stationary, but Keep Flowing in a Cycle . Therefore these Spirits sink/plunge into the two parts
                  ανακυκλουμενοι
-μενοντες , αλλ'
                                          ουν
                                                    ουτοι
                                                               δυντες
                                                                         εις τα δυο μερη
of the soul without The Logos (the spirited part and the appetitive part ) through the body
                          δια του σωματος
                                                                   δια του σωματος
                 αλογα
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της ψυχης

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by Each One disturbing Self in relation to Their Own Energy/Activity . Whereas The Part εκαστος στροβουσιν αυτην προς την ιδιαν ενεργειαν . δε το μερος of The Soul that Possesses The Logos Stands-Firm against the tyranny of The Spirits , της ψυχης λογικον εστηκέν αδεσποτον των δαιμονών , by Remaining-Fit/Able/Adapted to The Reception of The God . επιτηδείον είς υποδοχην του θέου .
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Therefore when That Part of The Soul in The Human-being that Possesses The Logos 16 οτω εν λογικω τω is Illumined by A Ray of Light from The God by way of The Sun -but All These are Fewδια του ηλιου, δε παντές ουτοι είσι ολίγοι, απο του θεου επιλαμπει ακτις The Spirits cease to affect These Few; for not one of The Spirits nor of The Gods has any οι δαιμονες καταργουνται τουτων : γαρ ουτε ουδεις δαιμονων ουτε Power in relation to One Ray of The God. Whereas All the other humans are led and carried, προς μιαν ακτινα του θεου. δε παντες οι αλλοι αγονται και φερονται both their soul and their body by *The Spirits*, whose *Energies*/Activities they love and desire. και τας ψυχας και τα σωματα υπο των δαιμονων, τας ενεργείας εκείνων αγαπώντες και στεργοντές: It is love that does *not* possess The Logos that is wandering/being misled and wanders/misleads. πλανωμενος και εστιν ερως ουκ εχων ο λογον, Therefore This has The Management over All our affairs upon The Earth through την διοικησιν πασαν διοικουσι ουν ταυτην επιγειον the instruments of our bodies . This Administration/Management Hermes called Fate . των οργανων ημετερων σωματων . ταυτην την διοικησιν Ερμης εκαλεσεν ειμαρμενην .

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Therefore The Intelligible Kosmos Depends upon The God
17
                              νοητος
                                        κοσμος
                                                   ηρτηται
                                                              του θεου
         whereas The Perceptible Kosmos Depends upon The Intelligible Kosmos,
                  ο αισθητος
          δε
                                                      του
                                                           νοητου
           whereas The Sun Receives The Full Flow of Resources of The Good
                                    την επιρροην γορηγειται του αγαθου
                    ο ηλιος
            From The God Through The Intelligible and Perceptible Kosmos;
             απο του θεου
                             δια
                                      του νοητου και αισθητου κοσμου.
                           This Is The Creation/Fabrication.
                                            δημιουργιας
                         τουτεστι της
      Whereas there are The Eight Spheres Around The Sun, that Depend upon This;
                       αι οκτω σφαιραι περι τον ηλιον, ηρτημεναι
         δε
              and of which there is The Sphere of The Un-wandering Stars,
                                                         απλανων
              τε
                     η
                                                   των
                             and The Six Planets/Wanderers
                             και αι εξ των πλανωμενων
                     and The One (Moon) which encircles The Earth.
                    και η μια
                                               περιγειος
                    whereas The Spirits Depend upon These Spheres,
                       δε οι δαιμονες ηρτηνται τουτων των σφαιρων,
                       then human-beings Depend upon The Spirits.
                           οι ανθρωποι
                                                 των δαιμονων:
                       δε
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And in this way Everything and also Everyone is Suspended from The God.
                            παντα τε και παντες εισιν ηρτημενοι απο του θεου.
           και
                 ουτω
            For which Logos, on the one hand, The God Is The Father of All,
18
                                               ο θεος
                                   μεν
                                                             πατηρ παντων,
             whereas on the other hand, The Sun Is The Creator/Fabricator;
                                       ο ηλιος
                                                          δημιουργος
          whereas The Kosmos is The Instrument of The Creation/Fabrication.
             δε
                    ο κοσμος
                                     οργανον
                                                           δημιουργιας
                                                  της
              And on the one hand, The Intelligible Ousia Manages Heaven,
                                                  ουσια διοικει ουρανον,
                                         νοητη
              και
                       μεν
                          whereas Heaven Manages The Gods,
                                                     θεους,
                             δε
                                 ουρανος
         then The Spirits that are Arranged under The Gods Manage human-beings.
              δαιμονες
                            υποτεταγμενοι
                                                θεοις διοικουσιν ανθρωπους.
                       This/Self Is The Army of Gods and Spirits.
                                   η στρατια θεων και δαιμονων.
                         αυτη
               Thus The God Creates Everything Through These For Himself,
                    ο θεος ποιει
19
                                      παντα
                                                  δια τουτων
                                                                 εαυτω.
                             and All Are Parts of The God;
                            και παντα εστιν μορια του θεου:
                       but if All are Parts, then All Are The God.
                       δε ει παντα μορια , αρα παντα
                 Therefore by Creating Everything, Self Creates Himself,
                    ουν
                              ποιων
                                       παντα
                                                      ποιει
                                                              εαυτον:
                          and Self can not Ever cease Creating,
                                  αν ουκ ποτε παυσαιτο ποιων,
                          και
                              since Self Is also Unceasing.
                               επει αυτος και απαυστος.
                         And just as The God Possesses no end,
                          και ωσπερ ο θεος
                                                εχει ου τελος,
          in this way also The Creation of Self Possesses neither beginning or end.
                         η ποιησις αυτου
                                                                      η τελος.
             ουτως
                                                      ουδε
                                                              αρχην
                                               εχει
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17 Conclusion of The Definitions of Asklepion to King Ammon

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Tat: Then if Thou brings to Mind, O King, there also exist incorporeal images of bodies.
      δε ει
                   νοεις
                                , ω βασιλευ , εστιν και
                                                         ασωματα ειδωλα σωματων.
King Ammon: What Kind? (said The King).
                 Ποια ? εφη ο βασιλευς.
Tat: Does it not appear to Thee that the appearances in mirrors are incorporeal?
                δοκει σοι
                             Τα φαινομένα εν τοις εσοπτροίς είναι ασωματά;
          ου
King Ammon: It has to Be in this way, O Tat. (said The King).
                           Ουτως , Ο Τατ , ειπεν ο βασιλευς .
                 εχει
Tat: Then there are also other examples of the incorporeal; for instance,
             Εστι και
                          αλλα
                                          ασωματα
does it not appear to Thee that there are The Incorporeal Ideas, which come to Light
                                         ασωματοι ιδεαι,
  ου δοκουσι
                            ειναι
                                                               φαινονται
                  σοι
                                    αι
not only as Being in the bodies of Those that are Ensouled, whereas
ου μονον ουσια εν σωμασι
                                   των
                                          εμψυχων , αλλα
They also Exist in the bodies that are not ensouled?
                     των
                                    αψυγων:
King Ammon: Thou Speaks Well, O Tat.
                             Ευ , ω Τατ .
                   λεγεις
       Tat: In this way Are The Incorporeal Reflected in Relation to the corporeal,
              ουτως εισι των ασωματων αντανακλασεις
                                                                  τα σωματα
                                                        προς
                    and the corporeal in Relation to The Incorporeal,
                    και των σωματων
                                         προς
                                                    τα ασωματα,
 This is also The Way The Intelligible Kosmos Is Reflected in Relation to The Perceptible,
       τουτεστι
                     τον νοητον
                                     κοσμον
                                                            προς
                                                                      του αισθητου,
               and The Perceptible in Relation to The Intelligible Kosmos.
              και τον αισθητον
                                                του νοητου κοσμου.
                                      προς
         For which Logos, O King, The Gloriously Divine Images are Worshiped,
                       , ω βασιλευ ,
                                        τα αγαλματα
                                                                 προσκυνει .
              since Selves also Contain Ideas From The Intelligible Kosmos.
               ως αυτα και εχοντα ιδεας απο του νοητου κοσμου.
                  Therefore, The King while Rising-up Said:
                    ουν
                            ο βασιλευς
                                        εξαναστας εφη:
King: It Is The Hour, O Prophet, Concerning The Care of the foreign-guests to come to Be.
             Ωρα , ω προφητα , περι την επιμελειαν
                                                           των ξενων
                                                                           γενεσθαι:
    Whereas in The Later Hours We will Speak of The Next Subjects about The Gods.
                                                                  περι -σομεν.
        36
               τη επιουση
                                  θεολογη-
                                                   των εξης
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18 The Logos of Thrice Great Hermes

Concerning The Experience of A Soul under the impediment of the body .

περι του παθους ψυχης υπο της εμποδιζομενης του σωματος .

If during the performance of A Harmonic Melody of Those who are Proclaimed ει κατα την επιδειξιν την αρμονιαν μελωδιας τοις επαννto be Skilled Musicians, Their Good Will becomes impeded under the discordance of the -ελλομενοις προθυμια γενηται εμποδων η αναρμοστια των τη instruments, does one take Their Attempt to be ridiculous, or does one attribute the weakness κατα - το επιχειρημα -γελοστον : εξασθενουντων of the instruments to their own impoverishment; for it must be ridiculed apart from The , γαρ αναγκη επιτωθαζεσθαι παρα των οργανων προς την χρειαν Contemplations of The Musician. For on the one hand, The Inexhaustible Provides The Art τον μουσουγον. γαρ ο ακαματον αποδιδωσι την τεχνην θεωρων цεν By The Good Way of Knowledge, whereas on the other hand, that which is at fault, belongs to ευγνωμονως το καταμεμφεται δε those that are weak. For the following Is Divine Music According to Nature, and The θεος μουσικος φυσιν και ασθενες . γαρ ο τοι κατα Harmony of The Songs not only Performs but also Transmits to The Highest Degree Possible αρμονίαν των ωδων ου μονον εργαζομένος αλλα και παραπέμπων αχρι The Rhythm of The Innate Melodies through the portion/share/part of the instruments. But τον ρυθμον της οικειας μελωδιας κατα των οργανων . μερος The God (The One) Is The Inexhaustible (The Ousia). For that which gets exhausted is not ακαματος καμνειν εστιν : γαρ το ου in Relation to God. προς θ sov .

But if at one time one is willing to be especially Competent in regards to Music θελησαντι μαλιστα εναγωνιζεσθαι just like The Skilled Artisan, then on the one hand, just now, The Demonstration of The τω τεχνιτη δε μεν αρτι την επιδειξιν Knowledge of Self of The Trumpeters will be *Produced*, and on the other hand, just now σαλπιγκτων ποιησαμενων, και επιστημης αυτης The Melodious instruments of The Flutists will Work the Shrill of The Melody, whereas αυλητων εργασαμενων το λιγυρον της μελωδιας, δε οργανοις τοις μελικοις there are also The Accomplishments of The Dance Song to the reed/flute and plectrum, των επιτελουντων την μολπην της ωδης καλαμω και πληκτρω, that one must **not** attribute to the breath as 'the cause' of The Music, for one must attribute ου αναπεμπεται τω πνευματι την αιτιαν του μουσικου, τις αναπεμπεται The Cause to That which Is Superior, thus on the one hand, it is Clear that That must κρειττονι , αλλα την αιτιαν μεν πρεπον be given to That which Is Revered, whereas on the other hand, the unsoundness of the αποδιδωσι σεβας δε την σαθροτητα του instrument is at fault, because surely then, Those that Are Most Beautiful Stand Opposed to οργανου καταμεμφεται, οτι δη τοις μαλιστα καλοις κατεστη

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impediments, and on the one hand, The One who Makes Music is Related to The Melodious, εμποδων, μεν τω μουσουργω προς την μελωδιαν, whereas on the other hand, those who hear the shrill of The Song are Carried away . . . . . δε των ακροατων την λιγυραν ωδην συλησασα.
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Thus in this way also concerning the weakness of our body, one must not favor ουτωσι και περι της ασθενειας ημών το σώμα τις the theories that find fault with The Art; for That which belongs to Our Genus Is held In a των θεωρων καταμεμψηται την τεχνην: ημετερον το γενος εστι -Revered Way, since on the one hand, It must be Recognized as The Inexhaustible Breath –ευσεβως , αλλα γινωσκετω μεν ως ακματον πνευμα of The God. For the following belongs to The Musical God According to Nature, and not υπαρχων ο μουσικός θέος κατα φυσιν, και ου only Works The Harmony of The Songs in The All, but also Transmits by portion as far as μονον εργαζομένος αρμονίαν των ωδών εν τω πάντι, αλλά και παραπέμπων κατά μέρος αχρι the instruments, The Rhythm (Republic 400D-401D) of The Innate Melodies. Thus It Is της οικειας μελωδιας, δε εστιν τον ρυθμον των οργανων Inexhaustible, and Is Always In The Same Way by Being in Possession of The Innate ακματος , και αει ωσαυτως της οικειας εχων Knowledge, since She Pervades Throughout Those that are Well-Spirited/Blessed/Happy, επιστημής, δε διηνεκης ταις ευδαιμονιας thus It Is Blended Throughout All The Good-Works Themselves. δια παντος ταις ευεργεσιαις δε κεχρημενος αυταις.

But especially if the innate lack/defect of the complexity of matter that The Artisan: δε μαλιστα ει η την ποικιλιαν της υλης τω δημιουργω χρεια Efficiency Himself could not submit to being Perfected . . . Take notice then , if at one time . . . ουκ υπηκουσεν προς εντελη . . . τοιαρουν The Self Musician Is Self-Sufficient According to Power, then we must not refer the blame ο αυτος μουσουργος διηρκεσε κατα δυναμιν, μη αναφερων to Self, whereas we must refer the fault to the weakness of the string, because surely then The καταμεμφωμεθα την ασθενειαν της χορδης, εις αυτον , δε Tone/Note/Pitch/Tension has been lowered, thus hiding/losing The Rhythm of Good Music. υποχαλασασα ηφανισεν τον ρυθμον της ευμουσιας. τονον

But surely then the symptom/mishap that has come to be concerning the instrument 5 του συμπτωματος γεγενημενου cannot ever be blamed on The Musician, since to whatever degree the organ has fallen-short, ουδεις ποτε ητιασατο τον μουσουργον, αλλ' οσωπερ το οργανον to this degree also at that time The Musician often Increases the falling of the tempo in relation οποτε τον μουσουγον πολλακις ηυξησεν εμπεσουσης της κρουσεως προς τοσουτω to The Tone; so that More of Those who Hear may be Led-up to That Love of The Musician. τον τονον: και πλειονα οι ακροαται αναφερονται εις εκείνον τον ερωτά τον μουσουργον. And so, that accusation/censure cannot be Equally/Similarly maintained in regards to Self. ουκ ομως εσγον and in turn it is in the following way for Myself, O Most Honored Ones; και παλιν ουτω ημεις , ω τιμιωτατοι

may my Lyre be *Harmonized* to **The Innate Musician Within (Phaedrus 279**B). λυραν εναρμοσασθαι τω την οικειαν μουσουργω ενδον.

Since surely then I See that in the case of Certain Artisans there are also Separate αλλα δη ορω των τινα τεχνιτων και χωρις Energies in regards to the lyre, if ever the subject be Prepared in relation to a Noble-Nature, ενεργείας κατα της λυραν, εί ποτε υποθέσιν είη παρέσκευασμένος προς μεγαλοφύη just as the instrument is often *Put to Use* by Self and the strings of the lyre are being οργανω πολλακις κεχρημενον αυτω και της νευρας την λυραν -Harmonized by means of Some Ineffable Care, since that which is deficient would put δι' απορρντων την θεραπειαν, ως -αρμοσαμενον το χρειωδες αν θεμενου those who hear in a state of super-amazement in regards to **That** which is **Befitting** of **Nobility**. υπερεκπληττοιντο μεγαλοπρεπες . εις το Surely then on the one hand, it is also said that during the competition of a certain Minstrel, και λεγεται ως διαγωνιζομενου τινος τεχνιτου κιθαρωδιαν, the strings of the lyre were broken by The Better, by Possessing A Good-Disposition; I mean ραγεισης υπο του κρειττονος της νευρας εχοντα ευμενη The God who Presides Over the musical productions, seeing that while Presiding Over the τον θεον εφορον της μουσουργιας επειδη εναγωνιον productions of The Minstrel the breaking of the string came to pass for the sake of impeding ποιουμενω την κιθαρωδιαν ραγεισα η νευρα γεγενηται προς εμποδιον The Contest for Self. . . . for The Fulfillment of Self and for Providing The Good-Will της αθλησεως αυτω . . . το ανεπληρωσεν αυτω και παρεσχε την χαριν and The Good-Repute Due to this event. For on the one hand, According to The Providence και της ευδοκιμησεως . γαρ μεν κατα προνοια of The Better, a Cicada settled in the Place of the string for Self, in order to Fulfill the loss του κρειττονος τεττιγα εφιζονοντα αντι της νευρας αυτω αναπληρουν of that member, and in order to Guard/Protect The Place of the string, thus on the other hand, το μελος , και την χωραν της νευρας, φυλαττειν the distress of The Minstrel was kept in check through The Healing of the loss of the string της λυπης τον κιθαρωδον παυσαμενον της νευρας ιασει while carrying-away The Good-Repute of The Victory. την ευδοκιμησιν εσχηκεναι της νικης .

Therefore I perceive that Self also experiences in this way, O Most Honored-Ones. αισθανομαι αυτος και πασχειν 7A ουν ουτως τιμιωτατοι , ω For on the one hand, it is **Reasonable** that the weakness be confessed at this moment, and since εοικα την ασθενειαν καθωμολογησα I will be disposed in a weak way before long, just as on the other hand, there is being Cultivated αρρωστως προ βραχεος, ωσπερ μουσουργησειν δε within The Power of The Better, The Melody concerning The King, in order that It may Be δυναμει του κρειττονος της μελωδιας περι τον βασιλεα ανα-Brought to Perfection In A Gentle Way.

-πληρωθεισης προσηνως .

7B

For **That** very **Logos** the limit of **The Beneficial Aid** will be **The Good Repute** τοιγαρτοι το περας της ωφελειας εσται ευκλεια

of The King, and from Those Trophies will arise *The Eagerness* of The Logos. Surely then, βασιλέων , και εκ των εκεινών τροπαιών η προθυμια του λογου. let us go on! For The God Wills This! Surely then we must hurry up; for The Musician wills ιωμεν αγε : γαρ ο θεος βουλεται τουτο : δη σπευσωμεν αγε : γαρ ο μουσουργος θελει This, and the lyre is Harmonized in Relation to This: and The Melody that The Musician τουτο, και την λυραν ηρμοσται προς τουτο : και μελωο μουσουργος makes will sound Sweeter-Clearer, and More-Gentle, in so far as The Song contains The -δησει μουσουργησει λιγυρωτερον, και προσηνεστερα, οσωπερ την ωδην εχει Counsel intended for Those that are Greater. υποθηκης τα μειζονα.

Therefore seeing that for Self the lyre is especially Harmonized for Kings, and επειδη αυτω της λυρας τα μαλιστα ενηρμοσται εις βασιλεας, και 8 contains The Tone/Pitch/Strain intended for Those that are being Praised, and also contains τον τονον εγκωμιων Royal Praise within Its Scope/Aim, then Self must first Awaken Himself to The Highest βασιλικους επαινους εις τον σκοπον, πρωτον διηγειρε εαυτον εις τον υπατον King of Wholes – The Good God – and beginning from That Source of The Song to Arrange βασιλεα των ολων αγαθον θεον , και αρξομενος υψοθεν της ωδης in Second Place Those that are in the Relation of an Image of That Source by possessing Its κατ' εικονα δευτερα τους προς εκεινου εχοντας την **Descending** Powerful-support; seeing that The Love from That Source for The Kingly Selves καταβαινει σκηπτουχιαν : επειδη το φιλον υψοθεν τοις βασιλευσι αυτοις also comes down according to The Intervals of The Song, and from which Source The Victory και καθηκειν τα βαθμον της ωδης, και οθενπεο κατα της νικης is accomplished for Selves, and from That Source shall The Hopes be Led-forth in Regular Succession. πεπρυτανευται αυτοις, των ελπιδων τα παραγεσθαι κατ' ακολουθιαν. και εκειθεν Now then let The Musician be Led-Back to The Great Royal God of Wholes, who Is on the ο μουσούγος ηκέτω προς τον μεγιστον βασίλεα θέον των όλων, ος έστι one hand, Immortal/Deathless and Eternal by Possessing The Rule over All from Eternity, τε και αιδιος το κρατος δια παντος εξ αιδιου, αθανατος εχων and who Is on the other hand, The First Beautiful-Victor, from whom All The Victories καλλινικος, πρωτον ου πασαι αι νικαι will be granted to Those who follow in Due Order. φερονται τους εξης

Now then The Logos *Proceeds-down* to us as far as *The Praise* of These, 10 τοινυν ο λογος καταβαινει ημιν επι τους επαινους τουτων, and Speeds-on to Those Kings who Preside-over The Common Safety and Peace, και επειγεται προς τους βασιλεας πρυτανεις της κοινης ασφαλειας και ειρηνης, who have from Antiquity been Provided The Height of Excellence from The Supreme God, το μαλιστα κυρος -κορυφωται παρα του κρειττονος θεου, οις κεwho Preside-over The Victory at The Right-hand of That God, whose Prizes have been οις πεπρυτανευται η νικη προς της δεξιας εκείνου , οις τα βραβεία προ-Prepared even Prior by Their Excellence in Battles, whose Trophies have been Established -ευτρεπισται και προ της αρρωστιας εν πολεμοις, ων τα τροπαια

even Prior to the intertwining (of Battle), who are not only Arranged-together-with That συντετακται της συμπλοκης οις ου μονον και προ which Rules but are also Arranged-together-with That which is Best/Excellent, and who βασιλειειν αλλα και αριστειειν , ους thus expel the barbarian even Prior to Their moving-forth (to Battle). εκπληττεται το βαρβαρον και προ της κινησεως

Concerning The Good/Advantageous Logos and Praise of The Supreme King. ευφημιας και εγκωμιον του κρειττονος βασιλεως. 11 Thus The Logos Speeds-on to The Beginnings in order that It may dissolve The End, αλλα ο λογος σπειδει εις καταλυσαι τας αρχας το τερμα, and to The Good Logos of The Supreme King, seeing that thus Those who Preside as του κρειττονος και εις ευφημιαν επειτα Justices of The Peace of The Holiest Kings also Terminate The Logos for us . For just as -βευοντων ειρηνην των θειοτατων βασιλεων και περατωσαι τον λογον ημιν . γαρ ωσπερ we begin The Power from Above as Issuing from The Supreme King, so also in turn, do we ηρξαμεθα της δυναμεως ανω εк του κρειττονος , ουτως παλιν ανταattribute The Supreme Limit/End to Self. For just as The Sun Self, by being The Nurturer -naklasomen to kreitton to perac eig auto . Yar wsper o hlioc autoc , wi τροφιμος of All that Blooms/Blossoms, First Lifts-up to Gather The First Fruits of the produce, by παντων των βλαστηματων , πρωτος ανασχων καρπουται τας απαρχας των καρπων γρωusing His Rays as if they were Mighty Hands, to Pluck-off The Sweetest Ambrosia from The -μενος ταις ακτισι ωσπερ μεγισταις χερσι εις αποδρεψιν τα αμβροσιωδεστατα Blooms for Self, surely then it is in the same way also for us, for having received into our Souls ουτω και ημιν, δεξαμενοις εις τα ημετερα των ψυχων φυτων αυτω, (for These are also Super-Heavenly Blooms) *The Stream* of The Wisdom of That God, φυτα την απορροιαν της σοφιας υπερουρανια we must *Use* in turn All The Good Logos of The Soul that Bloom in Us, which Self καταχρωμενοις παλιν απασαν τα ευφημιας της την βλαστην ημιν, ης αυτος has *Rained-down* for **Self** . . .

επομβρησει εις αυτος . . .

Therefore on the one hand, to The All-Uncontaminated God, The Father of our Souls, 12 πανακηρατω θεω, τω πατρι των ημετερων ψυχων, is it Proper to Lift-up The Good Logos from countless mouths and voices, even if they are not πρεπει αναφερεσθαι την ευφημιαν προς μυριων στοματων και φωνων, καν ει εστιν ου worthy to speak, by not being equal to the task to speak. For neither are the newly-born able αξιαν προς ειπειν, ουκ οντας εφαμιλλους τω λεγειν. γαρ ουδε οντες οι αρτιγενεις εχουσι to sing to their Father in a worthy way, whereas on the other hand, Selves act Properly when υμνειν προς τον πατερα αξιαν δε αυτοις πρεποντως they Offer-up Those Fellow-feelings which They also have in Their Power. Since This Self is και εχουσιν ενταυθα κατα δυναμιν. δε τουτο αυτο αποδιδοασι τα συγγνωμην more Good-Repute for The God; for The Self is even Greater than The Praise of the children μαλλον ευκλεια τω θεω, το αυτον ειναι μειζονα του επαινου των γεννηματων of Himself. And The Beginnings and The Middles and The End of The Good Logos Agree εαυτου : και τα προοιμια και μεσοτητα και τελος των ευφημιων ομολογειν

that The Father is *Unlimited*-In-Power and *Unlimited*-In-Boundary in regards to His Care . τον πατερα είναι το απειροδυναμον και απειροτερμονα και την χαρίν .

Thus They are also in this way for Kings, for They Bring Forth Blooms for us humans, τα και βασιλεως γαρ ημιν τοις ανθρωποις, 13 δε ουτωσι φυσει just as The Beginnings, Middles and End of The Good Logos happen to Spring Forth from ωσπερ τα ενεστιν ευφημιας τυγχανουσι εκγονοις απ' της That Source. Thus one must ask for The Forbearance/Fellow-feelings of The Good Logos, συγγνωμης αιτητεον τα της especially if These Gifts are Granted by The Father even before the children ask. Just as μαλιστα ει ταυτα τα τυγχανει παρα του πατρος και προ τα τεκνα της αιτησέως : ωσπέρ the newly-born-children and their newly-generated image are incapable so as to be turned-away τους αρτιτοκους και αρτιγενεις εικος εστιν αδυναμιας οπως αποστρεφεσθαι from The Care of The Father, but are also incapable of rejoicing of His Recognition, so also της γαριν τον πατερα, αλλα και επι χαιρειν της επιγνωσεως, then for us . . . in the same was as The Intuitive-Knowledge of The All Presides-over All Life, του παντος πρυτανευει πασι ζωην, δε ημας... ηπερ γνωσις so also Does The Good Logos which God Bestowed to us. For The Good Belongs to God and την ευφημιαν ην θεον εδωρησατο εις ημιν. γαρ ο αγαθος υπαρχων θεος και Is Ever-Shining, by also Possessing In Himself The Limit of His Innate Most-Excellent-Glory, αειφεγγης , και εχων εν εαυτω το περας της οικειας αριπρεπειας. and thus by Being Immortal, and by Containing The Ever-Lasting Allotment In Himself, την ατελευτητον ληξιν αθανατος, και περιεχων and by The Ever-Flowing Energy from That Source, He also Provides throughout All This αενναος ενεργειας απο παρέχων δια παντός τονδε εκεισε και Kosmos, The All-Curative-Preservative Announcement of The Good Logos (Tim 44B)... τον κοσμος, την διασωστικην επαγγελιαν ευφημιαν

Therefore, In That Place, there is no difference in relation to Each Other, since 14B εστιν ουκ διαφορα προς αλληλους, αλλα ουν εκεισε In That Place, there is no inconsistency, by All Being of One Mind, since there Is One εστι ουκ το αλλοπροσαλλον, αλλα παντες εν φρονουσιν, δε Fore-Knowledge/Providence for All, One Intellect for Selves: The Father, One Perception παντων, εις αυτοις ο πατηρ , μια αισθησις προγνωσις νους Functioning through Selves: (The Mother); for That Love Charm that Pervades Throughout εργαζομενη δι' αυτων : γαρ το ερως φιλτρον One-Another Is The Self/Same, One Harmony Functioning Throughout All Selves (Rep 443-4). αλληλους , μιαν αρμονιαν εργαζομενος των παντων. ο αυτος

Surely then on the one hand, let us Offer The Good Logos in this way to The God; 15 ευφημησωμεν τον θεον: δn μεν ουτω but then let us also descend from The Father to Those Kings who have Received The Scepters. αλλα δη και καταβαινομέν παρ' εκείνου επι τους δεξαμενους τα σκηπτρα. For we must begin from Those Kings and from These Kings Practice/Exercise Ourselves so that γαρ δει αρξαμενους απο των βασιλεων και απο τουτων ασκουμενους we can already be Accustomed and be Exercised for The Praise and for The Reverence in συνεθιζειν και γυμναζειν εις εγκωμια και εις την ευσεβειαν ηδη

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Relation to That which Is Superior. And on the one hand, from This, The Good Logos of The
                     κρειττον . και
                                                    απο τουτου
                                                                  της ευφημιας
 προς
                                         μεν
First Cause/Source must be Practiced, whereas on the other hand, through This, The Practice
πρωτην καταρχην
                       ενασκειν
                                                3\delta
                                                                δια τουτου την ασκησιν
must be Exercised, in order that The Exercise of The Reverence in Relation to The God and
                               η γυμνασια της ευσεβειας
                                                                        τον θεον και
   γυμναζειν
                      ινα
                                                               προς
The Good Logos in Relation to The Kings may Be in Us.
   η ευφημια
                    προς τους βασιλεας η εν ημιν.
        For we must Offer-up The Compensations/Repayments/Requitals to These Divinities,
             δει αποδιδοναι τας
16
                                             αμοιβας
                                                                         τουτοις,
who have Unfolded Such A Good Season of Peace for Us (Republic 473-474). Thus only Can
                 τοσαυτης ευετηριαν ειρηνης ημιν
    απλωσασι
                                                                         . δε
                                                                                 μονον
The Excellence of The Name of King Preside-over Peace; and since only Through This King
                τουνομα βασιλεως βραβευει ειρηνην: και γαρ
                                                                     δια τουτο βασιλευς
Can Peace Be Expressed; seeing that This Kingdom Belongs to Those who have embarked
             ειρηται ,
                          επειδη
                                   τη βασιλεια
                                                          ταις
                                                                      κατεπεμβαι-
upon The Apex/Hyparxis/Summit/Zenith/Height of Excellence (Theatetus 173C), and Through
-νει
                          κορυφαιοτητι
The Logos to The Rule of Peace; and indeed because of The Nature of The Kingdom to Excel-
του λογου εις του κρατει ειρηνην : και γε
                                            οτι
                                                     πεφυκε της βασιλειας
-over that which is barbaric: so that The Name is also The Symbol of Peace. For which Logos
-εχειν της βαρβαρικης: ωστε τουνομα εστιν και συμβολον ειρηνης.
the nature who is at war often and immediately raises accusations against The King/Queen.
τον πεφυκέν πολεμιον πολλακίς και ευθύς αναστελλείν επηγορίαν
                                                                        βασιλεως .
But certainly, even The Statues of This King/Queen especially happen to be Harbors of Peace
αλλα μην και οι ανδριαντες τουτου
                                                μαλιστα τυγχανουσιν οι ορμοι ειρηνης
for those tossed about by storms (2<sup>nd</sup> Alcibiades 151); whereas even now Solely The Images
               χειμαζομενοις
                                                 : δε
                                                             ηδη
                                                                     uovn
of The King Effectively Bring to Light/Beacon The Victory and That which is both Fearless
 βασιλεως ενηργησε
                            φανεισα
                                            την νικην και το
                                                                           ατρομον
and Invulnerable will Investigate/Explore for Those that are Its Inhabitants (Parm Poem Frag 1).
και ατρωτον
                     προυξενησε
                                       τοις
                                                        ενοικουσιν.
[[such as "The Calm Heart of Well-Rounded-Truth" ifb]]
                           ευκυκλεος αληθειης
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